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Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs
Attn: LaToya Edwards, Recreation and Conservation Programs Specialist
Post Office Box 5690
Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5690

VIA Email: latoya.edwards@adeca.alabama.gov

Re: RTP Application Transmittal
Trailhead Restroom Improvements at Michael Tucker Memorial Park

Dear LaToya,

I hope that you are well. Anniston is thankful for the opportunity to submit the attached 2022 RTP grant application. Anniston is requesting \$400,000 in grant funds and is providing \$100,000 in matching funds, for a total project cost of \$500,000. Our proposed project includes the construction of a new restroom and shower building to serve the Chief Ladiga Trail at the Michael Tucker Memorial Park Trailhead. This project enjoys much community support and is needed to alleviate crowding at the current restroom and shower facility that will only increase with the construction of the 7-mile Chief Ladiga Trail extension.

Anniston is working hard to overcome the devastating impacts of the closure of Fort McClellan and is undertaking strategic economic development via outdoor recreation and ecotourism. This project is not only important to increase access to outdoor recreation, but it is important to the economy of Anniston as well and will assist us in growing visitors and will have a positive economic impact on Anniston well into the future.

We hope that you can partner with Anniston by funding this project. Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



Jack Draper
Mayor

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GOVERNOR

KENNETH W. BOSWELL
DIRECTOR

RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM FY 2023 FUNDING CYCLE

GRANT APPLICATION DOCUMENT

SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
12 NOON, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

**401 Adams Avenue | Post Office Box 5690
Montgomery, Alabama 36104 | 36103-5690**

July 2022

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Please use this checklist to ensure all required application documents are included prior to submitting to ADECA. **Incomplete applications will not be processed.**

Letter on entity letterhead signed by the Chief Elected Official	X
Application Cover Sheet (Page 9)	X
Resolution adopted by the applicant authorizing the submission of the application and committing all matching funds required to complete the proposed project	X
A narrative description of the proposed project and responses to each of the application rating criterion (Pages 10-13)	X
Project Cost Estimate (Page 14)	X
Detailed project budget with descriptive narrative	X
Schedule of project activities necessary for project completion to include measurable milestones (18-month period beginning March 2022)	X
Preliminary site plan	X
Location/vicinity map	X
Property boundary area map	X
Verification of SAM.gov registration	X
Environmental Assessment:	
Concurrence from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	X
Concurrence from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	X*
Concurrence from the Alabama Historical Commission	X
Approval to cross a public highway or a public utility right-of-way (if applicable)	N/A
Water obstruction & encroachment permit (if applicable)	N/A
Hazardous materials survey if real property is to be acquired with grant funds	N/A
Environmental Assessment (if applicable)	N/A
Copy of deed to property, plat, and/or legal description of the property proposed for purchase and/or development	X
NOTE: If real property is to be acquired with grant funds, the acquisition must comply with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (The Uniform Act). Implementation regulations for The Uniform Act are found in 49 CFR Part 24. You may not acquire property through donation or purchase until after the grant agreement has been executed and consultation with ADECA staff has occurred.	
Signed statement from landowner expressing support (This is applicable if the applicant and landowner are not the same. A recorded easement allowing trail construction will be required from the landowner before construction begins.)	N/A
Environmental Screening Form and Environmental Checklist (Pages 15-19)	X
Letters of endorsement, support, and commitment; other documentation of citizen participation and public comment period	X

* USFWS Concurrence pending, request letter provided

You must include a copy of this completed checklist with your application. Please see the following website for electronic versions of the forms:

<https://adeca.alabama.gov/trails/rtp-information-and-application-documents/>.

Application Cover Sheet

Applicant's Name (Organization):	<u>City of Anniston</u>
Address:	<u>P.O. Box 2168</u>
	<u>Anniston, AL</u>
	<u>ZIP+4: 36202-2121</u>
County:	<u>Calhoun</u>
FEI Number:	<u>63-6001182</u>
DUNS Number:	<u>0754675630000</u>
Unique Entity Identifier (UEI):	<u>RLF2KHANEAW8</u>
Project Title:	<u>Chief Ladiga Trailhead Improvements at Michael Tucker Park</u>
Project Description:	<u>The existing restroom, with limited capacity, will be demolished and a new</u>
	<u>restroom building will be built at Michael Tucker Park to support the Chief</u>
	<u>Ladiga Trail's 6.5-mile extension</u>
Park Name, if applicable:	<u>Michael Tucker Memorial Park</u>
Park (project location) Address:	<u>6514 Weaver Road</u>
	<u>Anniston, AL</u>
	<u>ZIP+4:36206-8423</u>
Latitude and Longitude (deg/min/sec):	<u>33.738107 N, -85.818260 W</u>
Congressional District (for project location):	<u>AL-3</u>
State Senate District (for project location):	<u>12</u>
State House District (for project location):	<u>32</u>
Applicant Contact Person and Title:	<u>Mr. Toby Bennington, Director of Planning & Economic Development</u>
Phone Number:	<u>256-239-9684</u>
Email Address:	<u>tbennington@anniston.al.gov</u>
Grant Administrator or Other Contact, Title, and Organization:	<u>Sara Byard, Grant Consultant, Byard Consulting, LLC</u>
Phone Number:	<u>334-314-9791</u>
Email Address:	<u>sara@byardconsulting.com</u>

RESOLUTION NO. 22-R-44

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION THROUGH THE RECREATIONAL TRAILS GRANT PROGRAM FOR TRAILHEAD RESTROOM IMPROVEMENTS AT MICHAEL TUCKER PARK

WHEREAS, grant assistance up to \$400,000, with 20% match required is available from the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs to support recreational trails and trailhead facilities through the Recreational Trails Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Anniston is in need of a new, higher capacity restroom and shower building at Michael Tucker Memorial Park to provide for the health and well-being of the public in support of the Chief Ladiga Trail Extension; and

WHEREAS, the City of Anniston intends to make application to the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs for grant assistance from the Recreational Trail Program to construct the building; and

WHEREAS, proposed project costs total \$500,000, and the City of Anniston intends to apply for Recreational Trails Program assistance in the amount of \$400,000.00, or 80% of the total proposed project costs, which will be used to construct the restroom at Michael Tucker Memorial Park.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Anniston will make application to the Recreational Trails Program for a \$400,000 grant,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Anniston will hold in reserve \$100,000, or 20% of the proposed project costs for the purpose of matching the Recreational Trails Program assistance, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Anniston will be responsible for any additional project costs including cost overruns above the \$500,000 budget, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor Jack Draper is authorized and directed to take any actions as may be necessary to secure said Recreational Trails Program assistance, including signing assurances to comply with all applicable Federal and State laws, rules, and regulations of the Recreational Trails Program.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this the **20th** day of **September, 2022**.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
ANNISTON, ALABAMA

BY: _____

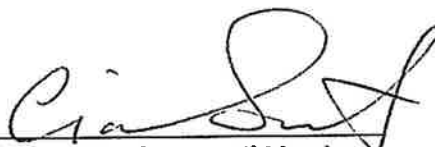
Jack Draper, Mayor

BY: _____

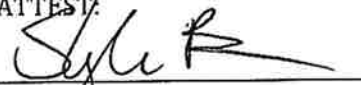
Jay Jenkins, Council Member

BY: _____

Demetric Roberts, Council Member

BY: 
Ciara Smith, Council Member

BY: 
Millie Harris, Council Member

ATTEST:

Skyler Bass, City Clerk

Project Descriptive Narrative

Provide a brief, yet informative, description of the proposed project and address each evaluation criterion on the following pages (provide additional information and documentation as may be needed to support your response to each evaluation criterion).

Project Information

Name of Project: Chief Ladiga Trailhead Facilities at Michael Tucker Park

Trail Length in Linear Feet (L.F.): 34,320 L.F. Trail Width: 10 feet

Trail Surface Type: Asphalt

Application Type: ☐ Non-motorized for a Single Use ☐ Motorized
☒ Non-motorized for Diverse Use ☐ Educational

Type of Applicant: ☒ City/Town ☐ County
☐ State ☐ Other

Total Estimated Project Cost	\$ <u>499,983</u>
Grant Amount Requested	\$ <u>399,983</u>
Total Local Match	\$ <u>100,000</u>
Cash Match	\$ <u>100,000</u>
In-Kind Match	\$ <u>0</u>
Donation	\$ <u>0</u>

Brief Description of the Project:

The project will demolish the existing restroom and shower building at the Trailhead of the Chief Ladiga Trail, located at Michael Tucker Park, and construct a larger restroom and shower building on the same site.

Please address all evaluation criteria (100 Total Available Points).

- 1. Describe the degree to which the project's scope and feasibility meet the project area's recreational needs. (Key Consideration: Does the project appear to be feasible and incorporate a good project design with consideration given to the natural and cultural environment in which the project is located and appropriate consideration given to identified needs and project benefits?) 10 Points Available**

This project will increase capacity at the restroom and shower facility at the Chief Ladiga Trailhead located at Michael Tucker Park. The improvements will triple the size of the facilities. There are also picnic tables, a pavilion, and sixteen primitive camping sites in the trailhead park. The improvements will be designed and built to the International Building Code 2009, Building Code 2009 of Alabama, the American Restroom Association guidelines based on 29 CFR 1910.141(c)(1)(i) Toilet Facilities, and the International Plumbing Code 2015.

The recreational needs of the area are a larger capacity restroom and shower at the trailhead because the existing facility cannot accommodate the number of visitors.

2. **Describe the ways in which the project provides for the greatest number of compatible recreational purposes.** (Key Consideration: An important concern is that the project will enhance the quality and quantity of recreational trail opportunities available in the community or region. Points will be given to projects with connectivity to other trails and/or parks, environmental education and preservation, and economic development opportunities.) **10 Points Available**

This project provides for several compatible recreational purposes including recreational trails, a public park, and economic development opportunities:

Recreational Trails- The Chief Ladiga Trail currently begins at Michael Tucker Park in Anniston and extends 33 miles, along a former CSX railbed to the Georgia state line. In Georgia, the trail continues another 62 miles to metro-Atlanta and is known as the Silver Comet Trail. The Chief Ladiga and Silver Comet Trails, combined, are among the longest paved pedestrian paths in the country. The City of Anniston has committed funding to construct the 6.5 mile Chief Ladiga Trail Extension from Michael Tucker Park into downtown Anniston where it will end at Anniston's Amtrak station. Plans are progressing to make the Amtrak station bike friendly by allowing for a return train route to Atlanta and other cities along the Amtrak line.

Figure 1: 96 Miles of Trail from Anniston to Atlanta



Source: www.bikesilvercomet.com

Public Park- The proposed project is located in Michael Tucker Park, which is the current trailhead facility for the terminus of the Chief Ladiga Trail in Anniston. Michael Tucker Park will continue to serve as a trailhead for the 6.5-mile Anniston portion of the trail that is currently being designed. This project will benefit a public park, as well as a recreational trail. Michael Tucker Park is 166 acres and features a picnic pavilion, picnic tables, a .5 mile walking trail, and a visitor's information center.

Primitive Camping- Michael Tucker Park has sixteen acres of primitive camping sites. There are showers in the current restroom facility at the park, and additional showers will be added to the expanded facility, which will benefit the camping recreational purpose.

Economic Development Opportunities- This project supports economic development opportunities in a mighty way. The Chief Ladiga Trail extension into downtown Anniston will connect Anniston to Atlanta via paved multi-purpose trail. Out of town and local trail users

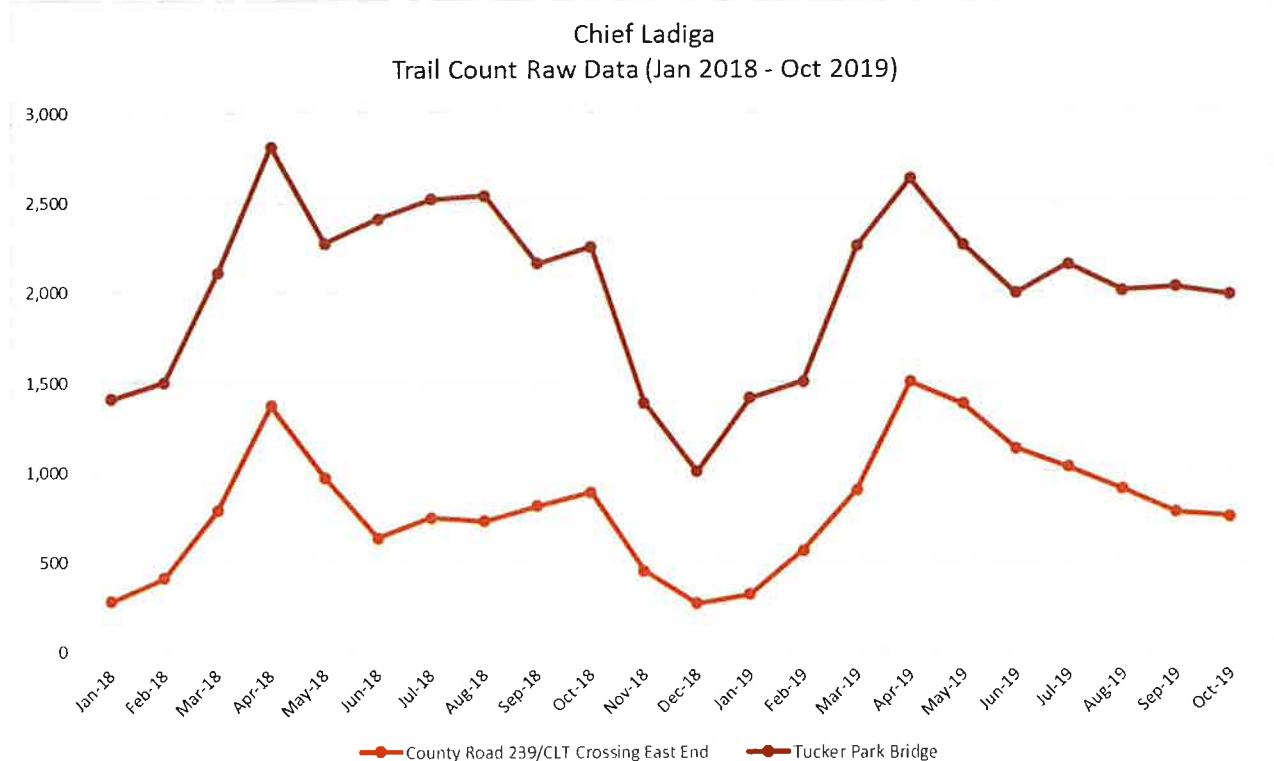
alike will have the opportunity to visit Anniston's downtown shops and restaurants, providing a positive economic impact. Jacksonville State University Center for Business and Economic Research recently completed a study of the economic impact of construction of the Chief Ladiga Trail. The complete study is attached, and a summary of the findings appears in Table I below. The construction alone will support 35 jobs and have a \$4.5 million economic impact:

Table I: Economic Impact of Chief Ladiga Trail Extension Construction

Impact	Employment	Labor Income	Value Added	Output
Direct	26	\$ 1,066,636	\$ 1,233,701	\$ 3,100,000
Indirect	5	\$ 230,483	\$ 426,212	\$ 881,722
Induced	4	\$ 151,189	\$ 298,483	\$ 536,792
TOTAL	35	\$ 1,448,309	\$ 1,958,396	\$ 4,518,514

The economic development impact of the opening of the Chief Ladiga Trail will be great as there were already more than 45,000 trail users from January, 2018- to October, 2019. Jacksonville State University installed GFX Infrared Trail Counters to determine the numbers, which are shown in Graph I below. These numbers were used as justification for the City of Anniston to build the Chief Ladiga Trail extension, a project that is estimated to cost \$2.9 million.

Graph I: Chief Ladiga Trail Users January 2018 to October 2019

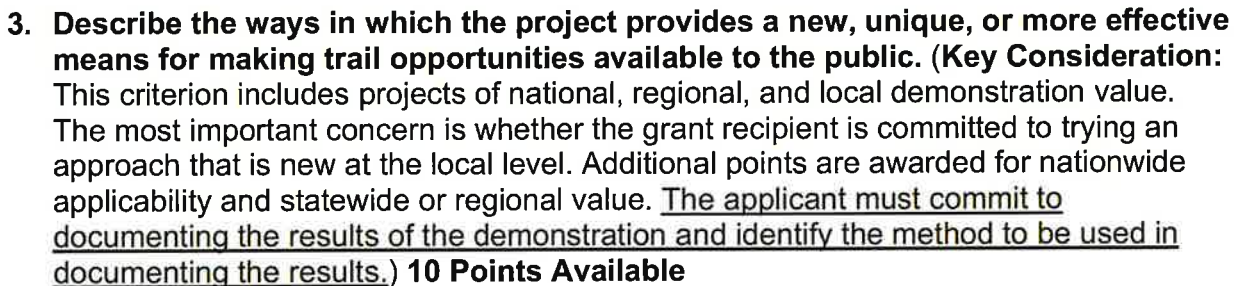


Source: JSU installed GFX Infrared Trail Counters

Cultural/Heritage Tourism- This project will also impact cultural and heritage tourism as the 6.5-mile Chief Ladiga Trail Extension terminus, at the Anniston Amtrak Station, is also the beginning of the Anniston Civil Rights Trail, a National Park Service Freedom Riders National

Figure II: Map of Anniston Civil Rights Trail with Chief Ladiga Trail terminus as site 1

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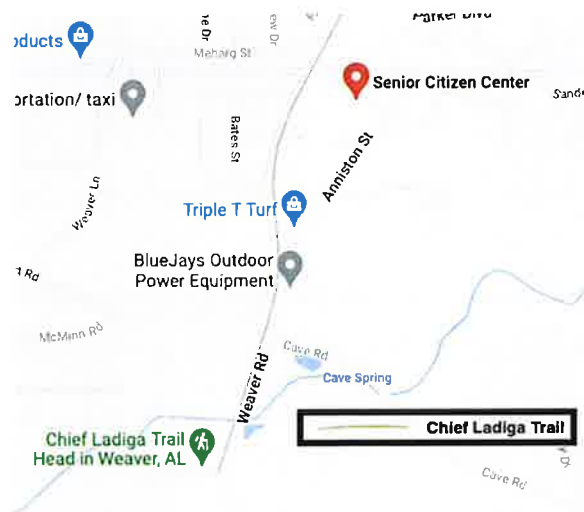


This project provides a unique means for making trail opportunities available to the public. The Chief Ladiga Trail connects Anniston and Atlanta via paved multipurpose trail and passenger rail. Imagine, traveling from Anniston to Atlanta and back and never needing to use a car, but instead biking or riding a train. The Chief Ladiga Trail is available to citizens and visitors of varying socioeconomic backgrounds. The trail passes by Anniston Housing Authority, providing access to low-income residents, and also provides a unique opportunity for bicycle enthusiasts. Figure 2 below depicts the proposed improvements for the new trail terminus at the Amtrak Station.

Figure 2: Trail available to the public via Amtrak Station

4. Describe the ways in which the project facilitates the access and use of trails by persons with disabilities, older adults, economically disadvantaged, and other special populations or groups. (Key Consideration: Whether the project will expand recreation opportunities for special populations with recreation deficiencies.)
10 Points Available

This project facilitates access and use of trails by economically disadvantaged because it passes by Anniston Housing Authority and will be available for residents to walk on for exercise or to travel to nearby shopping and service destinations (See Figure III below). Persons with disabilities will be able to easily access the trail, which has little slope due to being a former railbed (Rails to Trails), and is ten feet wide asphalt. Older adults will also have ample opportunity to access the trail as it passes by the Anniston Senior Center's property (see Figure IV below). The City of Anniston's Housing Authority and Senior Center will be targeted by the City of Anniston's Public Information Office for promotion of the Chief Ladiga Trail near their locations in an effort to improve the inclusivity of the project. An attached letter of commitment from the Public Information Office is attached.

Figure III: Proximity of Anniston Housing Authority to Chief Ladiga Trail**Figure IV: Proximity of Anniston Senior Center to Chief Ladiga Trail**

5. Describe the ways in which the project creates opportunities for new partnerships between trail users, private interest groups, and public agencies within the project area. (Key Consideration: The major concern is that the project is a component of an integrated effort to enhance economic revitalization and community conservation. Points will be given to applicants providing evidence of cooperative efforts with trail user groups and/or multiple public meetings.) **10 Points Available**

The project creates opportunities for partnerships between users, private interest groups and public agencies within the project area. Several interest groups are partners on this project. Anniston Runners Club and it's members already use the existing leg of the Chief Ladiga Trail, however they are very excited about the new extension. In their attached letter of support, the Anniston Runners Club commits to promote the trail and volunteer for events on the trail such as races and other community events.

Northeast Alabama Bicycle Association (NEBA) is working hard to promote safe

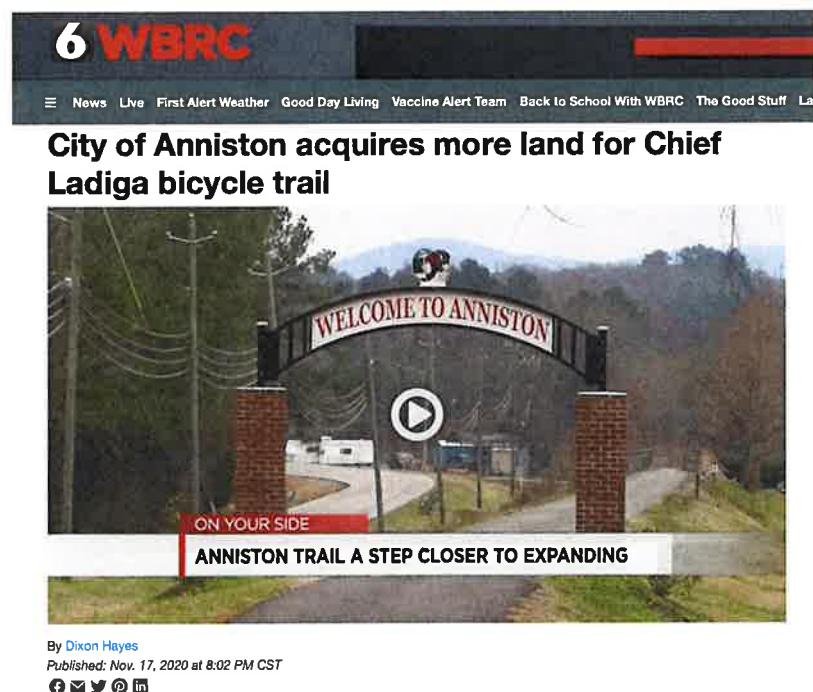
bicycling in Anniston. They were instrumental in starting a new mountain biking team at Anniston High School and incorporating mountain biking into PE classes. In their attached letter of support, NEBA commits to continuing to increase ridership so that the Chief Ladiga Trail will have many local users for years to come.

As stated in number 4 above, two public agencies, the Anniston Senior Center and the Anniston Housing Authority will be targets of the City Public Information Office's outreach and promotion efforts for the Chief Ladiga Trail. These are just some of the examples of how public/private partnerships are alive and well in Anniston and will go a long way to support the use and promotion of the trail.

- 6. Describe the ways in which the project uses the grant funds to leverage other public or private investments (in the form of services and materials as well as dollars). (Key Consideration: The major concern is whether actual leveraging is assured or the potential for leveraging is good, outside of any funds committed for the initial grant match. Points will be given for applicants committing double the minimum local match or higher. Supporting documentation must be included in the application.)**
10 Points Available

The grant funding requested in this application will leverage more than \$3 million in public investment by the City of Anniston. The Chief Ladiga Trail extension has been in process for nearly ten years. Land acquisition, design studies, and a completed NEPA categorical exclusion have been ongoing in order to prepare for the trail. In May 2022, the city selected an engineering firm to complete the final design of the project. The city has allocated funding to complete the 6.5 mile extension that is estimated to cost \$2.9 million.

Figure V: Evidence of Leveraging Committed to the Project- Land Acquisition



The city committed to the 20 percent match for this project, but also committed in the attached resolution to any cost overruns for the project. In this construction environment, cost overruns are a real possibility, and Anniston will meet them in order to secure funding for this new trailhead restroom and shower facility that is needed to support the expanded trail.

Figure VI: Evidence of Leverage Committed- Design Engineer Hired

Anniston moves closer to completing Chief Ladiga Trail



By [Steve Crocker](#)

Published: May. 3, 2022 at 10:36 PM CDT



ANNISTON, Ala. (WBRC) - Anniston is excited about a big step toward becoming an even bigger cycling destination.

Tuesday, the city council chose [Sain Associates](#) as the engineering firm to complete the last six miles of the Chief Ladiga Trail. The

7. **Describe the degree of commitment to continue operation and maintenance of the project. Include an operation and maintenance plan detailing the amount of money needed to operate and maintain the trail/facility after project completion and identify who will be responsible for these activities. (Key Consideration: Whether the grant recipient is willing to commit to continue the maintenance and operation of the facilities and whether the applicant provides a realistic operation and maintenance plan/budget. Additional points will be awarded to applicants demonstrating innovative funding measures for trail maintenance.) 10 Points Available**

Anniston is committed to operate and maintain the restroom and parking trailhead improvements. The city already maintains the smaller restroom facility, and has money in the Parks and Recreation budget to continue to do so in perpetuity. The City of Anniston Parks and Recreation Department will maintain the improvements according to the following Operation and Maintenance Plan.

Table II: Operations and Maintenance Plan

Item	Cost
Cleaning Restroom- 1 hour per day, 357 days per year @ \$14.52/hour	\$5,183.64
Cleaning Parking Lot- 1 hour per week, 52 weeks per year @ \$14.52/hour	\$ 755.04
Repairs to Restroom- \$2,000 per year	\$2,000.00
Repairs to Parking Lot- \$2,000 per year	\$2,000.00
Total Operations and Maintenance Cost Per Year	\$9,938.68

The City of Anniston has the funding to operate and maintain the proposed improvements. Figure VII below presents the 2021 Parks and Recreation budget.

Figure VII: 2021 Anniston Parks & Recreation Budget

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE SUMMARY					
DEPARTMENT	2017 ACTUAL	2018 ACTUAL	2019 ACTUAL	2020 AMENDED	2021 PROPOSED
PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT					
ADMINISTRATION	315,847	275,141	334,000	343,950	326,950
PROGRAMS & CENTERS	1,760,249	1,803,332	1,755,300	1,792,800	1,779,750
ATHLETICS	436,778	417,272	474,800	504,000	465,300
GOLF	706,351	723,087	684,725	721,725	702,749
PARK MAINTENANCE	523,776	527,668	574,050	568,850	565,950
TOTAL PARKS & RECREATION	3,743,001	3,746,500	3,822,875	3,931,325	3,840,699

8. The degree to which community involvement is addressed: i.e., (A) Project idea originated with trail users or a community group that has substantial knowledge, and (B) The private sector (including individual citizens, community groups, and/or local business enterprises) has participated in the development of the proposed idea and has made commitments of labor, money, or materials to support project implementation. (Key Consideration: The objective is to determine if the project is responding to citizen-identified needs. The priority of the project to users is evidenced by citizen support for the idea. Points will be awarded to applicants demonstrating that the project concept was originally proposed at the grassroots level and, especially, for extensive citizen or private organization involvement in project development and support in project implementation as well as applicants demonstrating extensive involvement and participation from citizens and interest groups during all phases of application development and commitments beyond. Supporting documentation must be included in the application.) **10 Points Available**

The Silver Comet Trail in Georgia opened it's first leg in 1998. In 2008, the Chief Ladiga Trail was established in Alabama to meet the trail at the state line. Biking, birding and hiking enthusiasts, as well as local economic developers have been working since 2008 to bring the Chief Ladiga Trail to downtown Anniston. In the public hearing minutes that are attached, groups like the Northeast Alabama Bicycle

Association can be seen to be a steady voice of support and reason, and their support continues to this day as is evidenced by the attached letter of support and descriptions of the partnership presented herein. An expensive, long rails to trails project such as this one does not get built without continued support. In number two above, the economic impact studies and analysis that brought the city council to the point where they are investing \$2.9 million to build the Chief Ladiga Trail extension is further evidence of the long-term support.

9. Describe in detail how the trail will be managed. Include a discussion on season length, hours of operation, limitations on use, enforcement provisions, and scheduling. 10 Points Available

Management- The Chief Ladiga Trail will be managed by the City of Anniston. The Parks and Recreation Department will maintain the trail including mowing, trash removal, lighting, watering stations and trail surface. In deciding to develop the trail, the city has used *The Maintenance Practices and Costs of Rail-Trails*, a guide developed by the Rails to Trails Conservancy, to estimate things like annual maintenance costs of mowing and surface maintenance and enforcement provisions.

Season length & hours of operation- The trail will be open year-round from dawn to dusk.

Enforcement provisions- The City of Anniston has bicycle officers in the police department that patrol the trail as part of their regular duties. Dogs are welcome, but must be on a leash. The City of Anniston has a camera system, and when the trail is completed, there may be various points with camera surveillance.

Scheduling- The trail may occasionally be part of a community race course for a limited time, but otherwise there are no scheduling requirements for use.

10. Identify and describe the service area of the project. Approximately how many people do you propose to serve with this project? Identify other trail resources in the service area by trail type (motorized, non-motorized, multi-use), distance, location in relation to the proposed trail, and ownership. (Key Consideration: The RTP was created to address trail needs in the urban and rural areas of the state. In order to assess the need for additional trails it is first necessary to identify the quantity and location of existing resources within the service area. It is also necessary to establish a service area – either population or resource based. For example, a population-based service area could be a neighborhood, school district, or political jurisdiction whereas, a resource-based service area might be defined along a linear greenway, water course, or unique natural/cultural area. However, in both instances, an estimate of the number of beneficiaries should be provided. Please identify how the project service area was determined.) 10 Points Available

NOTE: Property acquired with RTP funds must remain open to the public in perpetuity. Should the property cease to be open to the public for trail use, the applicant must repay the RTP 80% (or the federal percentage share) of the fair market value of the property at the time of the change in use. If the project is located on an easement or on leased land, the minimum timeframe for the easement or lease is 25 years. The project

must remain open for public access for the use for which the RTP funds were intended during that time. For development projects on applicant owned property, the project must remain open for public access for the use for which the RTP funds were intended for a minimum of 25 years.

The service area of the project is the Calhoun and Cleburne Counties along the rails to trail Chief Ladiga Trail (CLT) as shown in Figure VIII below. Local and out-of town visitors are expected to frequent the Chief Ladiga trail's soon to be 39.5 miles (33 miles currently that ends at Michael Tucker Park, with 6.5 being added). Please see Graph I in question #2 above, which shows the number of trail users counted by GFX Trail Counters installed by Jacksonville State University over an eighteen-month period. More than 45,000 people visited the Chief Ladiga Trail over those eighteen months. The average number of trail users per month is estimated to be 2,500.

Figure VIII: Service Area



Source: Silvercometga.com

There are several other trail resources in the service territory, including the four trails described in Table III below. While there are additional trail resources in the area, this project assists the Chief Ladiga Trail, a unique rails to trails project that connects Anniston to Atlanta. While the other trail resources are for hiking and mountain biking, there are no other flat, accessible, long-distance trails like the Chief Ladiga Trail.

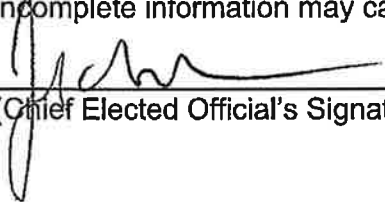
Table III: Additional Trail Resources in the Service Area

Trail Type	Distance	Location (from CLT)	Ownership
McClellan Trails multi- use	17 miles	3.2 miles	McClellan Development Authority
Coldwater Mountain Trails multi- use	35 miles	15 miles	Alabama Forever Wild
Pinhoti Trail multi- use	40 miles in CLT (335 mi. total)	17 miles	State and National Forest
Henry Farms Walking and Exercise Trail multi- use	3.2 Miles	23 miles	City of Jacksonville

Total Project Cost: \$499,983 Funds Requested: \$399,983

Important Note: The maximum grant amount by trail type is **\$200,000.00** for non-motorized, single-use trails; **\$400,000.00** for non-motorized, diverse-use trails; **\$524,937.00** for motorized trails; or **\$87,489.00** for education projects.

The applicant certifies that the data contained in the application is true and correct; the application has been duly authorized; and, the applicant understands that incorrect or incomplete information may cause the application to be rejected.



(Chief Elected Official's Signature)

Mayor
(Title)

9-9-2022
(Date)

Project Cost Estimate

The Recreational Trails Program provides **80/20 matching** fund grants. That is, the RTP will fund up to 80 percent of the project cost and the grant recipient must provide at least 20 percent in the form of cash, in-kind, and/or donated contributions.

Eligible Costs

1. Design, engineering, and construction oversight services (**may not exceed 10% of the total construction cost**)
2. Direct labor
3. Special tradesmen secured under a service purchase contract
4. Rental of equipment
5. Construction contracts
6. Project materials
7. Signage¹
8. Land acquisition
9. Professional project administration (grant consultant) (**may not exceed 5% of total project cost**)

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

BUDGET ITEM	TOTAL	RTP SHARE	MATCHING SHARE
Acquisition			
Construction Contracts	\$457,105	\$394,893	\$62,122
Equipment Rental	\$0	\$0	\$0
Labor	\$0	\$0	\$0
Signage	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
Supplies/Materials	\$0	\$0	\$0
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0
Engineering	\$37,878	\$0	\$37,878
TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$499,983	\$399,983	\$100,000

¹ Signs which function as traffic control devices must conform with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). Part IX of the MUTCD, Traffic Controls for Bicycle Facilities, covers the bicycle related signs, pavement markings, and signals which may be used on highways or bikeways. Part IX is applicable to shared use paths (non-motorized multiple-use trails which may provide a transportation purpose). The publication Standard Highway Signs has the detailed drawings for the highway signs prescribed in the MUTCD. These documents are available for purchase from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402.

Signs which do not function as traffic control devices are not subject to the MUTCD. However, informational signs and kiosks must take into consideration the needs of various users, such as: people who are blind or who have low vision, people who use wheelchairs, and children.

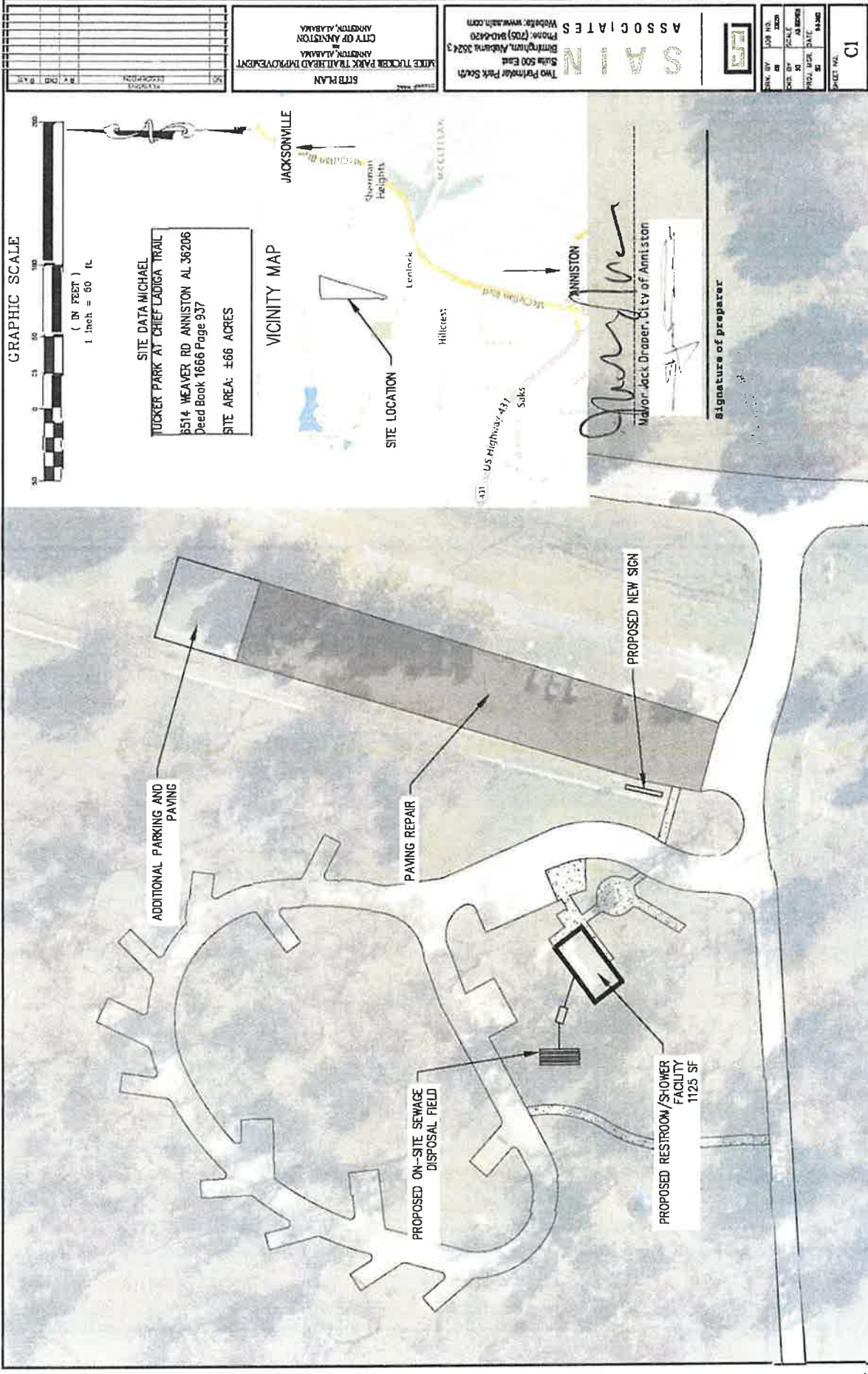
**Mike Tucker Park Trailhead Improvements
City of Anniston, Alabama
Opinion of Probable Cost**

Item	Unit	Item Description	Qty	Unit Price	Cost
1	SF	Bathroom/shower Facility	1125		\$ 185,625.00
2	EA	New On-Site Sewer System	1		\$ 25,000.00
3	EA	New Landscaping	1		\$ 10,000.00
5	EA	Signage	1		\$ 5,000.00
6	EA	New Trash Receptacles	2		\$ 1,600.00
7	EA	Parking Lot Improvements	1		\$ 151,550.00
	Subtotal				\$ 378,775.00
	Survey/Design Fee (10%)				\$ 37,877.50
	Subtotal				\$ 416,652.50
	Owner's Contingency (20%)				\$ 83,330.50
	Grand Total				\$ 499,983.00

City of Anniston
Michael Tucker Park Trailhead Improvements

Schedule of Project Activities

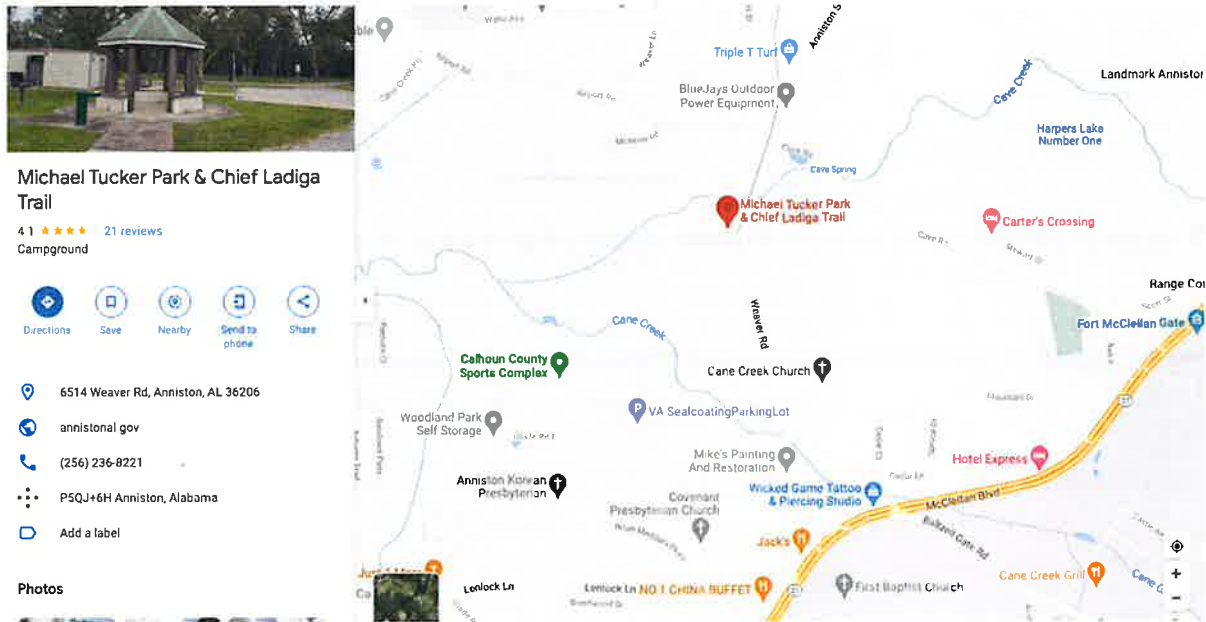
Activity	Date to be completed	Measurable milestone
Sign Grant Agreement	March 31, 2023	Agreement executed
Design	June 30, 2023	Design plans
Project goes to bid	July 31, 2023	Bid documents
Construction contractor hired	August 15, 2023	Contract executed
Project construction	May 1, 2024	Construction complete
Grant close-out	August 1, 2024	Close-out report



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City of Anniston, 2022 RTP Grant
Mike Tucker Park
Proposed Restroom Demolition and Reconstruction

Project Location





- City of Anniston, Alabama
- EIN/TIN: 63-6001182
- Sam.gov CAGE Code: 4U0Q1
- SAM.gov Registration Expiration Date: Dec 6, 2022
- FY End Date: September 30

Byard Consulting, LLC

August 25, 2022

US Fish and Wildlife Service

Mr. Bill Pearson
Field Supervisor
US Fish and Wildlife Service
1208-B Main Street
Daphne, Alabama 36526-4419

VIA EMAIL: bill_pearson@fws.gov

Re: RTP Grant Application
Request for Concurrence with Project

Dear Sir or Madam,

The City of Anniston is proposing to demolish the existing restroom building and construct a new one in the same location at Mike Tucker Park is applying for grant funds from ADECA's Recreational Trails Program (RTP). I am requesting review and approval/concurrence with the proposed project.

I have attached a site plan and location map. Mike Tucker Park is located at 6514 Weaver Road, Anniston, AL 36206. The coordinates for the center of the park are: 33.738107 N, -85.818260 W. Please let me know if additional permits or reviews are required.

I am happy to provide or gather any additional information that you require.

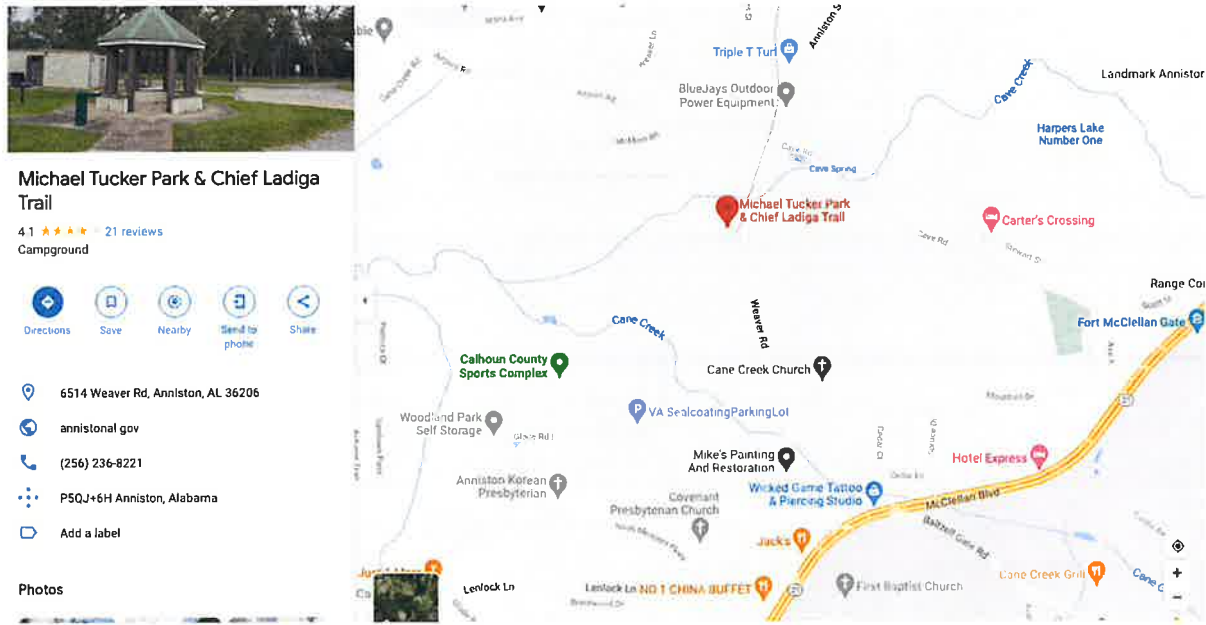
Thank you,



Sara Byard

City of Anniston, 2022 RTP Grant
Mike Tucker Park
Proposed Restroom Demolition and Reconstruction

Project Location





Dr. Micheal Tucker Park

Challenge Course

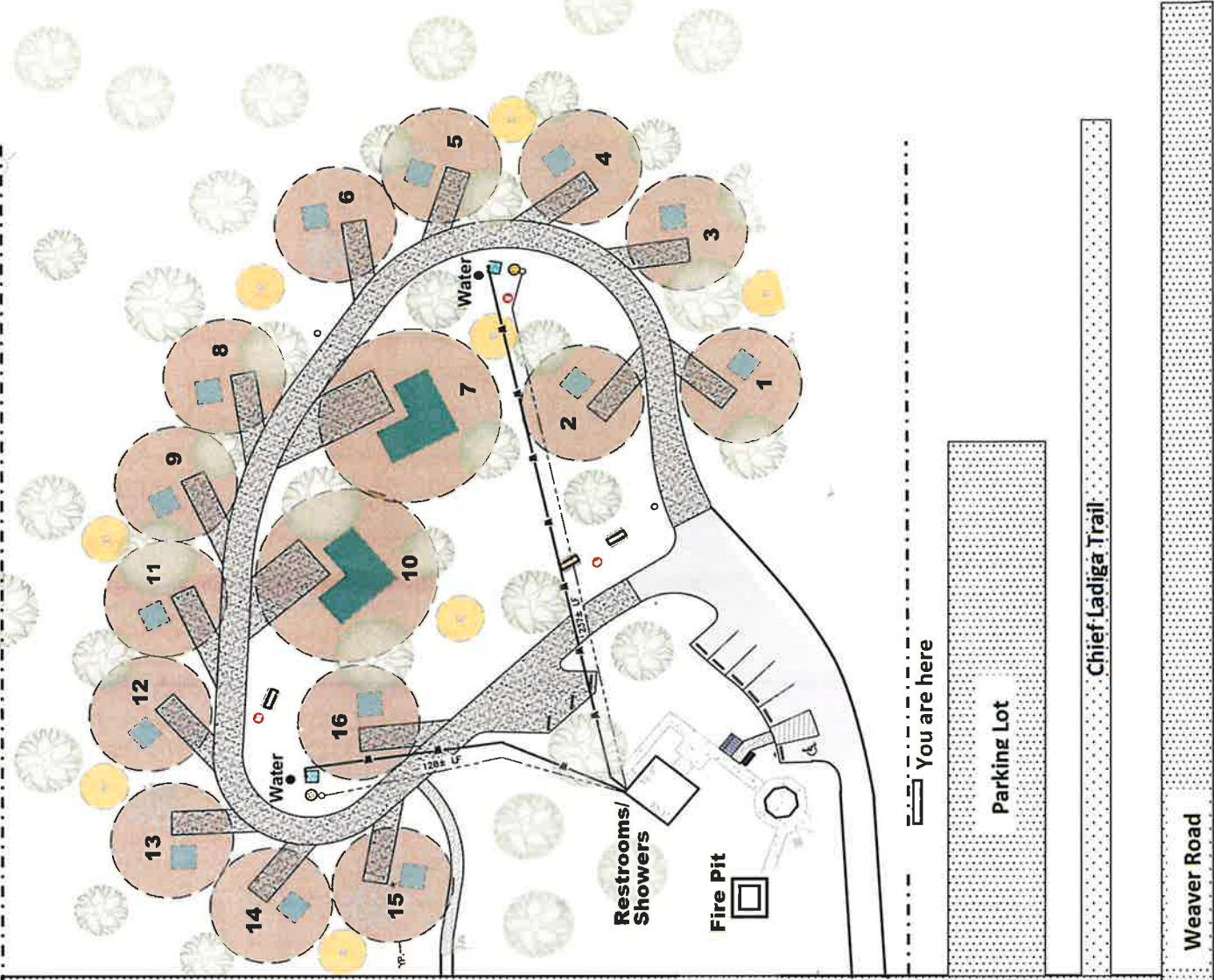


Lodge



Building

Access Road





ALABAMA HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Lisa D. Jones
Executive Director
State Historic Preservation Officer

468 South Perry Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36130-0900

Tel: 334-242-3184
Fax: 334-242-1083

August 30, 2022

Sara Byard
Byard Consulting
103 North Memorial Drive #216
Prattville, AL 36067

Re: AHC 22-1057
Mike Tucker Park Improvements
Calhoun County

Dear Ms. Byard:

Upon review of the above referenced project, we concur that project activities will have no effect on cultural resources eligible for or listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Therefore, we concur with the determination of no effect to historic properties.

Consultation with the State Historic Preservation Office does not constitute consultation with Tribal Historic Preservation Offices, other Native American tribes, local governments, or the public. If archaeological materials are encountered during construction, the procedures codified at 36 CFR 800.13(b) will apply. Archaeological materials consist of any items, fifty years old or older, which were made or used by man. These items include but are not limited to, stone projectile points (arrowheads), ceramic sherds, bricks, worked wood, bone and stone, metal, and glass objects. The federal agency or the applicant receiving federal assistance should contact our office immediately. If human remains are encountered, the provisions of the Alabama Burial Act (*Code of Alabama* 1975, §13A-7-23.1, as amended; Alabama Historical Commission Administrative Code Chapter 460-X-10 Burials) should be followed. This stipulation shall be placed on the construction plans to ensure contractors are aware of it.

We appreciate your commitment to helping us preserve Alabama's historic archaeological and architectural resources. Should you have any questions, please contact Eric Sipes at 334.230.2667 or Eric.Sipes@ahc.alabama.gov. Have the AHC tracking number referenced above available and include it with any future correspondence.

Sincerely,

Lee Anne Wofford
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

LAW/EDS/law

STATE OF ALABAMA **

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WARRANTY DEED

CALHOUN COUNTY **

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This indenture is made and entered into by and between THE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF ANNISTON, ALABAMA, hereinafter referred to as Grantor, and THE CITY OF ANNISTON, ALABAMA, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, hereinafter referred to as Grantee,

W I T N E S S E T H :

That Grantor, for and in consideration of the sum of ten and no/100 Dollars to Grantor cash in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has bargained and sold, and does by these presents grant, bargain, sell and convey unto Grantee and unto the heirs successors and assigns of Grantee, in fee simple forever, the following described real estate, lying and being situated in Calhoun County, Alabama, to wit:

NORLE STREET SCHOOL

Lots 1 to 5, inclusive and Lots 8 to 14, inclusive in Block H, as shown and designated on the Corning Land and Loan Company's map of Corning Highlands, the said block being bounded on the north by Twenty-second Street, on the east by Wilmer Avenue, on the south by Twenty-first Street, and on the west by Noble Street; said lots being situated in the City of Anniston, Calhoun County, Alabama.

Lot 6, in Block H, according to the map made by Hugh B. Blackwell, otherwise described as Lot 6, in Block H, as shown by Corning Land and Loan Company's map of the City of Anniston, said lot fronting 60 feet on the east side of Noble Street and running back of even width to an alley in the rear 160 feet, the southwest corner of the said lot being a point 60 feet north of the northeast corner of the intersection of Noble Street and Twenty-first Street, in the City of Anniston, Calhoun County, Alabama. Being the same property mentioned and described in that certain deed from O. M. Ragley and his wife, Mary Ragley to J. D. McNeal, dated February 20, 1941, and recorded in Book 427, Page 57, Probate Office of Calhoun County, Alabama. Together with all and singular the gas heaters, fixtures, electrical installation, and any and all other fixtures attached to the building.

Part of Lot 7, in Block H as shown and numbered on the Map of Corning Highlands, and more particularly described as beginning at a point on the north line of Twenty-first

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Street, 118 feet east of the east line of Noble Street, and running east along the north line of Twenty-first Street 42 feet to an alley; thence north along the west side of said alley 40 feet; thence West at a right angle 42 feet; thence south 40 feet to the point of beginning, in the City of Anniston, Alabama, and being the identical property mentioned and described in that certain deed dated December 22, 1948, from E. R. Dixon and wife, Lucille Dixon to Clara T. Moore, recorded in Book 638, page 204 in the Probate Office of Calhoun County, Alabama.

Lot 7, in Block H in the City of Anniston, Alabama according to the map of the Corning Highlands, said lot fronting 60 feet on the east side of Noble Street and running back of even width along the north side of Twenty-first Street 160 feet to an alley, together with all the improvements thereon and appurtenances thereunto belonging.

1731 ROCKY HOLLOW

Lot 8, Block 518, as shown on the Map of the Anniston City Land Company, situated on the north side of Lorraine Avenue (now Rocky Hollow Road), in the City of Anniston, Calhoun County, Alabama.

931 CLAXTON, COOPER RESERVATION

Lots 12 and 13 in Block 14, in the City of Anniston, Alabama, according to the Map of the property of the Cooper Reservation Land Company made by C. W. Cooper, Civil Engineer, dated June 23, 1927, and recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Calhoun County, Alabama, said lots fronting 98 feet on Claxton Street and running back 110 feet of even width.

1715 ROCKY HOLLOW

A certain parcel or lot of land lying and being in the City of Anniston, Calhoun County, Alabama described as follows: Beginning at a point on the north side of Lorraine Avenue (formerly Blue Mountain Avenue) 154.66 feet northeast of the northwest intersection of 17th Street and Lorraine Avenue; thence running 51 feet in a northeasterly direction along Lorraine Avenue to a lot formerly owned by Robinson; thence 140 feet in a northwesterly direction to the south line of Snow's Creek Alley; thence 51 feet southwesterly along the south line of said alley; thence 140 feet in a southeasterly direction to the beginning point, the said property being a part of Lot 1, Block 518, as shown on the Map of the Anniston City Land Company.

HOLLEY FARM

Beginning at the right of way of Southern Railway Company at or near the ford of Cave Creek on the Road leading from Jacksonville to Anniston, thence in a southerly direction along said right of way to Cane Creek, thence down said Cane Creek to W. J. Hughes land line, thence North along the said Hughes land

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line to corner of said Hughes land, thence East half mile along R. P. Weavers land line, thence up said Cave Creek to the beginning point so as to include a one-third interest in a gum spring on North side of Cave Creek, containing 160 acres more or less, and being a part of the West half of the Southeast Quarter and a part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 8, Township 15, Range 8, Calhoun County, Alabama, situated in said Calhoun County, Alabama.

ALSO: That part of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 8, Township 15, Range 8, described as follows to-wit:

Commencing at the NW corner of said forty, thence south along the forty line to the SW corner of said forty, thence northeasterly from this point so as to include one-third of the "Gum Springs" north of Cave Creek, thence continuing northeasterly to Cave Creek, thence northwardly and eastwardly along said Creek to its point of intersection with the east line of said forty, thence north along the forty line to the NE corner of the said SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$, thence west along the forty line to the point of beginning, situated, lying and being in the County of Calhoun, State of Alabama.

RANDOLPH PARK SCHOOL PROPERTY THAT LIES NORTH OF 17TH STREET

All of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 1, Township 16 South, Range 7 East, that lies north of 17th Street and the South 25 feet of Lot 24 in Block 102, said lot being found on the Map of West Anniston Land and Improvement Company recorded in Plat Book A, Page 378 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Calhoun County, Alabama.

LESS AND EXCEPT the north 65 feet of Lot 24 and all of Lots 25 through 35 of Block 102 according to the map of West Anniston Land and Improvement Company which said lots lie on the East boundary line of the said SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 1, Township 16 South, Range 7 East, fronted by Bancroft Avenue. All of the said property being located in Calhoun County, Alabama.

SOUTH WILMER PROPERTY

All right, title and interest of the parties of the first part in and to Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 in Block 14 of Division 1 as shown on the map of the South Anniston Land Company and recorded in Plat Book A, at Page 368 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Calhoun County, Alabama. The above described property is bounded on the north by C Street, bounded on the west by Wilmer Avenue, bounded on the South by D Street and bounded on the east by an alley. Also the above described property is subject to an alley right-of-way, lying between Lots 4 and 5 and running in an east-west direction. Said

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alley has been used, occupied and possessed by the party of the first part and has never been opened or vacated by the City of Anniston. All of said property being located in the City of Anniston, County of Calhoun, State of Alabama.

GLEN-ADDIE SCHOOL PROPERTY:

Lots 1 through 9 and Lots 11 through 21 in Block 213 as shown on the map of the Anniston City Land Company, being the entire Block 213, except Lot 10, situated, lying and being in the City of Anniston, Calhoun County, Alabama, and being the same property as contained in deeds recorded in the Probate Office of Calhoun County, Alabama in Books 39, Page 435 (Lot 8), Book 212, Page 332 (Lot 7), Book 252, Page 348 (Lots 1,2,3), Book 413, Page 436 (Lots 4, 5,6 and 9) and Book 558, Page 173 (Lots 11 through 21).

Conveyance of above described property fully satisfies Grantors obligation to convey its surplus property to Grantee and Grantor is not obligated to convey surplus property that may become available in the future.

Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

To Have and To Hold unto the said Grantee, and unto the heirs, successors and assigns of Grantee, in fee simple forever.

And Grantor covenants and agrees with Grantee that Grantor is lawfully seized of an indefeasible estate in fee simple in and to the real property herein conveyed; that Grantor has good right to sell and convey same, said property being conveyed constituting surplus property of the Grantor no longer needed for educational purposes and which will not be needed for educational purposes in the future; that said real estate is free from all encumbrance, and Grantor does warrant and will forever defend the title thereto against the lawful claims and demands of all persons or parties whomsoever, except for taxes for the current year and any ease-

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ments, restrictions or reservations of record or visible, encumbrances, mineral rights heretofore conveyed, excepted or reserved, and any outstanding rights of redemption, and leasehold rights of any tenants.

Conveyance of the surplus property of the Anniston School Board does not include any personal property of the Anniston School Board that still remains on the property, and Grantors reserve the right to remove from the premises of the property being conveyed any of its personal property that remains thereon. Included as personal property are tractors, farm equipment, appliances, furniture, tools and supplies presently located on the Holly farm, and machinery, equipment, tools and supplies located in the building that houses the maintenance shop located on the South Wilmer property. Grantor shall have a reasonable time in which to remove said personal property from the premises of the property being conveyed. Also, Grantors reserve the right to remove and relocate the building that presently houses the maintenance shop for the Anniston School System, and to remove and relocate the greenhouses that are presently located at the Holly Farm property, and Grantors are granted an easement for the purposes of ingress and egress to said property for the purposes of removal of said buildings. Grantors shall have a reasonable time to remove said buildings after written notice from the Grantee.

The South Wilmer Property is presently being used by the Grantor for storage of maintenance materials, tools, and supplies for the whole school system and said South Wilmer Property is conveyed subject to the Grantor being allowed to continue to use said property until the Grantee requests the Grantor to vacate at which time the Grantee will offer to the Grantor a substitute place or space at least as adequate and appropriate for such use, or until

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such time as the Cooper Avenue School building is vacated and available for use as a maintenance facility.

Wherever used, the singular number shall include the plural, the plural the singular, and the use of any gender shall be applicable to all genders.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor has by its duly authorized Officers hereunto set its Corporate hand and Seal on this the 15th day of MAY, 1985.

THE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
THE CITY OF ANNISTON

By: Christine Callahan (L.S.)
CHRISTINE CALLAHAN, CHAIRPERSON

Nathanel Davis (L.S.)
NATHANIEL DAVIS

Jim Campbell (L.S.)
JIM CAMPBELL

Calvester Spain (L.S.)
CALVESTER SPAIN

Bill Neal (L.S.)
BILL NEAL

GRANTEE ADDRESS

1128 Gurnee Avenue

Anniston, Al 36201

Environmental Screening Form (ESF)

This is a working tool for planners and decision-makers to use to identify the degree of potential impacts to resources that may occur as a result of federal approval of the proposal. It also serves as the administrative record documenting the applicant's efforts to identify and consider impacts during proposal development. Your ESF responses may change as the planning process refines the proposal that will ultimately be submitted along with the final completed ESF for federal review and decision.

As early as possible in your planning process, consider how your proposal/project may have direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts on the human environment. Early identification of possible environmental resource impacts can be used during proposal development and assist in identifying ways to lessen impacts. Initiating or completing environmental analysis after a decision has been made is contrary to both the spirit and letter of the law of the National Environmental Policy Act.

The ESF should be completed with input from resource experts and in consultation with relevant local, state, tribal, and federal governments, as applicable. The interested and affected public should be notified of the proposal and invited to provide input as well. At a minimum, a site inspection of the affected area must be conducted by individuals who are familiar with the type of affected resources, possess the ability to identify potential resource impacts, and know when to seek additional data when needed.

At the time of proposal submission, the completed ESF should reflect the applicant's final determination of the extent to which the proposal will impact the list of resources on the form. The results of the completed ESF will assist in the identification of the appropriate NEPA pathway to be followed, i.e., categorical exclusion (CE), environmental assessment (EA), environmental impact statement (EIS). Also, the completed ESF will identify the resource topics and issues that should be presented and analyzed in an EA or an EIS, if required.

The ESF contains two parts that must be completed, Part A. Impacts to Environmental Resources and Part B. Mandatory Criteria.

Part A: For each environmental resource topic, choose an impact estimate level (none, negligible, minor, exceeds minor) that describes the degree of potential negative impact that may occur directly, indirectly, and cumulatively as a result of federal approval of your proposal. These impact levels should be used to estimate specific impact levels on each separate resource and must be accompanied with a brief explanation of how the resource might be affected, how the impact level was determined, and why the chosen impact level is appropriate. If an environmental review has already been conducted on your proposal, is still viable; and it includes planned mitigation, explain this for each applicable resource and choose an impact level as mitigated. If the resource does not apply to your proposal, mark NA in the first column. Add any relevant resources (see A24) if not included in the list.

Use a separate sheet to explain all potential adverse impacts (negligible, minor, and those exceeding minor) as well as to indicate the type of data that still needs to be determined for each of the applicable resources listed below. Describe direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts, as well as any planned mitigation, already addressed in previous environmental reviews.

Part B: This is a list of mandatory impact criteria that preclude the use of categorical exclusions. If you answer “yes” or “maybe” for any of the mandatory criteria, you must develop an EA or EIS regardless of your answers in Part A. Explain all “yes” and “maybe” answers on a separate sheet.

Indicate potential for **adverse** impacts.

A. ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES	No Impacts or Not Applicable	Negligible Impacts	Minor Impacts	Impacts Exceed Minor EA/EIS required	More Data Needed to Determine EA/EIS required
1. Geological resources: soils, bedrock, slopes, streambeds, landforms, etc.	X				
2. Air quality	X				
3. Sound (noise impacts)		X			
4. Water quality/quantity	X				
5. Streamflow characteristics	X				
6. Marine/estuarine	X				
7. Floodplains/wetlands	X				
8. Land use/ownership patterns; property values; community livability	X				
9. Circulation, transportation	X				
10. Plant/animal/fish species of special concern and habitat; state/federal listed or proposed for listing	X				
11. Unique ecosystems, such as biosphere reserves, World Heritage sites, old-growth forests, etc.	X				
12. Unique or important wildlife/wildlife habitat	X				
13. Unique or important fish/habitat	X				
14. Introduce or promote invasive species (plant or animal)	X				
15. Recreation resources, including parks, open space, conservation areas, rec. trails, facilities, services, opportunities, public access, etc.)			X		
16. Accessibility for populations with disabilities	X				
17. Overall aesthetics, special characteristics/features	X				
18. Historical/cultural resources, including landscapes, ethnographic, archeological, structures, etc.	X				
19. Socioeconomics, including employment, occupation, income changes, tax base, infrastructure	X				
20. Minority and low-income populations	X				
21. Energy resources (geothermal, fossil fuels, etc.)	X				
22. Other agency or tribal land use plans or policies	X				
23. Land/structures with a history of contamination/hazardous materials even if remediated	X				
24. Other important environmental resources that should be addressed	X				

B. MANDATORY CRITERIA If your proposal is approved, would it...	Yes	No	To be determined
1. Have significant impacts on public health or safety?		X	
2. Have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation, or refuge lands, wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (E.O. 11990); floodplains (E.O. 11988); and other ecologically significant or critical areas?		X	
3. Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources [NEPA section 102(2)(E)]?		X	
4. Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks?		X	
5. Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects?		X	
6. Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant, but cumulatively significant, environmental effects?		X	
7. Have significant impacts on properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, as determined by either the bureau or office?(Attach SHPO/THPO Comments)		X	
8. Have significant impacts on species listed or proposed to be listed on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have significant impacts on designated Critical Habitat for these species?		X	
9. Violate a federal law, or a state, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment?		X	
10. Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (Executive Order 12898)?		X	
11. Limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or significantly adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (Executive Order 13007)?		X	
12. Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area, or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act and Executive Order 13112)?		X	
C. CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION CRITERIA			
13. Is the area previously disturbed and unlikely to result in any excavation beyond surface disturbance possibly impacting archaeology?	X		
14. Is the area regularly mowed and therefore unlikely to contain endangered species?	X		
15. Is there any surface water within direct proximity to the project which would require protection from construction impacts?		X	

Environmental Reviewers


The following individual(s) provided input in the completion of the environmental screening form. **List all reviewers including name, title, agency, field of expertise.** Keep all environmental review records and data on this proposal in state compliance file for any future program review and/or audit. **There must be at least one person listed here.**

1. Sara Byard, Grant Administration Consultant
2. _____
3. _____

The following individuals conducted a site inspection to verify field conditions. **List name of inspector(s), title, agency, and date(s) of inspection.** There must be at least one person listed here.

1. Sara Byard, Grant Administration Consultant
2. _____
3. _____

Signature of Chief Elected Official here:



Signature

9-9-2022
Date

Environmental Checklist For Recreational Trails Program Project**County:** Calhoun**Project Location:** 6514 Weaver Road, Anniston AL 36206**Project Sponsor/Applicant:** City of Anniston**Project Description:** Trailhead Restroom/Shower Improvements for Chief Ladiga Trail at Michael Tucker Park.

Concurrence from Alabama Historical Commission attached?	Yes X	No
Concurrence from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services attached?	Yes	No X
Concurrence from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers attached?	Yes X	No
Tribal Consultation attached?	Yes	No X
Was the property acquired before January 1971?	Yes	No X
If "No" explain property acquisition process (Use additional sheets if necessary):		
The City of Anniston purchased the property from the City School System in the late 1980's and made several improvements to the area to include developing the park in the late 1990's and the opening of the campground in December 2016.		

Note: If you have not received the concurrence letters by the application deadline, submit copies of the request letters. Concurrences over three (3) years old cannot be used and new concurrences must be obtained.

Required Letters of Concurrence and Release of Conditions**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**

Mobile District Corps of Engineers	Nashville District Corps of Engineers
Chief, Regulatory Division	Western Regulatory Field Office
Post Office Box 2288	2424 Danville Road, SW, STE N
Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001	Decatur, Alabama 35603-4219
Phone: 251-690-2658	Phone Number: 256-350-5620

Alabama Historical Commission: Amanda McBride, Environmental Review Coordinator, Alabama Historical Commission, Post Office Box 300900, Montgomery, Alabama 36130-0900, Phone: 334-230-2692, Email: amanda.mcbride@ahc.alabama.gov

U.S. Fish And Wildlife Service: Mr. Bill Pearson, Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1208-B Main Street, Daphne, Alabama 36526-4419, Phone: 251-441-5181, Email: bill_pearson@fws.gov.

July 15, 2022

Mayor Jack Draper
City of Anniston
P.O. Box 2168
Anniston, AL 36206
Via Email: jdraper@anniston.al.gov



Re: RTP Grant Letter of Support
Chief Ladiga Trailhead

Dear Mayor Draper,

I'm writing to you in strong support of the city's efforts to build a new restroom at the trail-head for the Chief Ladiga Trail at Mike Tucker Park. As President of Anniston Runners Club, I'm writing on behalf of all the runners who utilize the trail system for recreation and training. The Chief Ladiga Trail is a fantastic pedestrian trail system. We are excited about the 7-mile extension of the trail that is to be constructed. It is going to increase access to running for citizens and visitors alike.

The restroom at the trail-head at Michael Tucker Park has seen better days! While the city keeps it clean and well-maintained, it already gets a lot of use. With the Chief Ladiga Trail extension about to begin, a larger capacity restroom is desperately needed. We support your efforts to undertake this project.

ARC has a long-standing relationship with the Northeast Alabama Bicycle Association. In fact, we share a space in downtown Anniston as dual headquarters. Working together, we promote outdoor recreation in the region. For example, we frequently volunteer to help put on the events of the partner organization. We look forward to continuing this relationship, as well as the one with the City of Anniston, for many years to come.

Thank you,

Sherry Williams
ARC President

July 17, 2022

Mayor Jack Draper
City of Anniston
P.O. Box 2168
Anniston, AL 36206
Via Email: jdraper@anniston.al.gov



Re: RTP Grant Letter of Support
Chief Ladiga Trailhead Facilities at Mike Tucker Park

Dear Mayor Draper,

I'm delighted to write to you in support of the city's efforts build a new trailhead restroom for the Chief Ladiga Trail! As everyone now knows, outdoor recreation has seen a huge increase these past few years. NEABA has leveraged this increase to put more people on bikes. For example, we were instrumental in the new high school mountain bike racing team at Anniston High School. We have also increased the number of riders and removed barriers by helping incorporate mountain biking into PE classes.

This increase in use has also overburdened our outdoor recreation infrastructure. The restroom facility at Mike Tucker Park, the Chief Ladiga Trailead, often has a line on most weekends. Creating a more positive user experience through proper trailhead amenities will increase repeat visitors. In turn, this will amplify the already strong economic impact of this trail on our community.

For decades, NEABA and the City of Anniston have partnered to provide residents and visitors access to outdoor recreation in many forms. NEABA will commit to continue that partnership by increasing bike ridership in the school system so that the Chief Ladiga Trail will have many bicycling residents for years to come.

Thank you,

Tim Lindblom
NEABA
President



OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
CENTER FOR ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS RESEARCH
JACKSONVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY

July 19, 2022

Mayor Jack Draper
City of Anniston
P.O. Box 2168
Anniston, AL 36206

Via Email: jdraper@anniston.al.gov

Re: RTP Grant Letter of Support
Chief Ladiga Trailhead

Dear Mayor,

I am writing to express support on behalf of Jacksonville State University's Center for Economic Development and Business Research (CEDBR) for your RTP grant application to the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA). I understand that your application proposes the construction of a new, expanded restroom and shower facility. As you know the CEDBR has been a very close and connected partner to the overall ecotourism initiative regionally and locally. We have conducted and provided several economic impact studies and reports where the results solidify the benefit and wise investment in these projects. We stand ready to maintain this partnership.

It is not often that a project provides so much opportunity for conservation, outdoor recreation, and economic development at the same time. When I look at and have been exposed to what other facilities have done across the country and the economic impact, I cannot help but be excited about the future reward that this project will have on Anniston, Northeast Alabama, and across our state. The citizens of Anniston, Calhoun County and beyond will reap a benefit that continues to move this state forward.

We look forward to your success on this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jennifer Green'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Jennifer' and last name 'Green' clearly distinguishable.

Jennifer Green
Director

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July 14, 2022

Mr. Steven D. Folks, Sr.
City Manager
City of Anniston
4309 McClelland Blvd
Anniston, AL 36206

Re: Promoting Chief Ladiga Trail to Seniors and Housing Authority Residents

Dear Steven,

In the Public Information Office, we are excited about all the possibilities for promoting the Chief Ladiga Trail Extension. As you know, the trail will pass by the Senior Center and Housing Authority. As we target our promotion and marketing of the trail in the City, I plan to provide tailored marketing to these special populations in order to promote inclusivity and access for our vulnerable citizens.

I am excited about this project!

Sincerely,

Jackson Hodges
Public Information Officer

Anniston Outdoor Association



The Anniston Outdoor Association (AOA), is an ongoing outdoor recreation program sponsored through the City of Anniston Parks and Recreation Department and is an affiliate member of the American Hiking Society's (AHS) Alliance of Hiking Organizations and the Alabama Hiking Trail Society (AHTS) . Since its inception in November 1991, the association has become recognized as the leader in outdoor recreation in Alabama. Day hikes, camping trips, and canoeing excursions are just a sample of some of this program's most popular activities!

**Anniston Outdoor Association
Schedule of Activities
June 2022**

June 11 - Bicycle Ride on the Chief Ladiga Trail and Silver Comet Trail

This will be an approximately 20 mile total, out and back ride beginning at the Borden Springs Access. We will travel along the Chief Ladiga Trail to the Georgia state line about 5 miles away where the Silver Comet Trail begins and then we will ride about another 5 miles into Georgia before returning. These trails are paved "Rails to Trails", so they have very little incline. Helmets are required for bikers on this trail. The meeting time and location for this outing will be 8:00 am at the Borden Springs Access just off Cleburne County 70 (Vigo Road). Going east on 70 from Piedmont, turn right on County Road 225/230 and the trail parking lot is immediately on the right. For more information and to register your participation, contact Mike Martin by email at mikemartin6674@gmail.com or by phone or text at (256) 239-2123.

Summary of Public Involvement Meeting
Chief Ladiga Trail Extension,
Trailhead at Michael Tucker Park
Anniston, Alabama

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The City of Anniston will conduct a Public Involvement Meeting for the following proposed project:

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The meeting is scheduled for: **Date:** **Tuesday, February 23, 2016**

Time: **6:00 PM to 8:00 PM**

Location: **Anniston Hall, City Meeting Center
1615 Noble Street, Anniston, AL 36201**

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Everyone interested in this project is encouraged to attend and participate in this Public Involvement Meeting. Persons with disabilities who may need special accommodations should contact Ms. Diane Glenn at (256) 237-6741 at least two working days prior to the meeting.

Welcome!

Welcome and thank you for attending the Public Involvement Meeting for:

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The purpose of this meeting is to present information and solicit comments on this proposed project. Your comments, along with other factors such as environmental impacts, engineering aspects and costs, will be used to assess the design of this project.

This meeting will not have a formal presentation. Please take your time to review the available information and graphics on the proposed project. Representatives from the City of Anniston and the design consultant are available to explain the scope of this project and answer any questions that you may have as it relates to their area of expertise.

For accurate documentation, I encourage you to submit your written comments at today's meeting, or within ten (10) business days following this meeting to the address listed below:

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END PROJECT

LAT: 33° 44' 16" N
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CHIEF LADIGA TRAIL SHARED USE PATH ANNISTON, ALABAMA CALHOUN COUNTY

**PROJECT
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BEGIN PROJECT

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Phone/Email: _____

INTEREST IN PROJECT

Area Resident _____ **Property Owner** _____ **Local Business Owner** _____

Elected Official _____ **Governmental Representative** _____

OPINION OF PROJECT

APPROVE _____ **DISAPPROVE** _____ **NEITHER or UNDECIDED** _____

Comments or Suggestions: _____

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ly further out, sloping down, with only a band of water at the edge. Over the next 40 years, the water ate at the base until parts of the cliff were plumb line straight, from back patio to the high tide line.

One building remained enough of a setback to remain occupied for a spell, even as the dire situation kept rains low. For taking the risk, Section 8 and other low-income residents got panoramic ocean views.

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Note: This ad ran in the Anniston Star newspaper on February 7 and 21, 2016

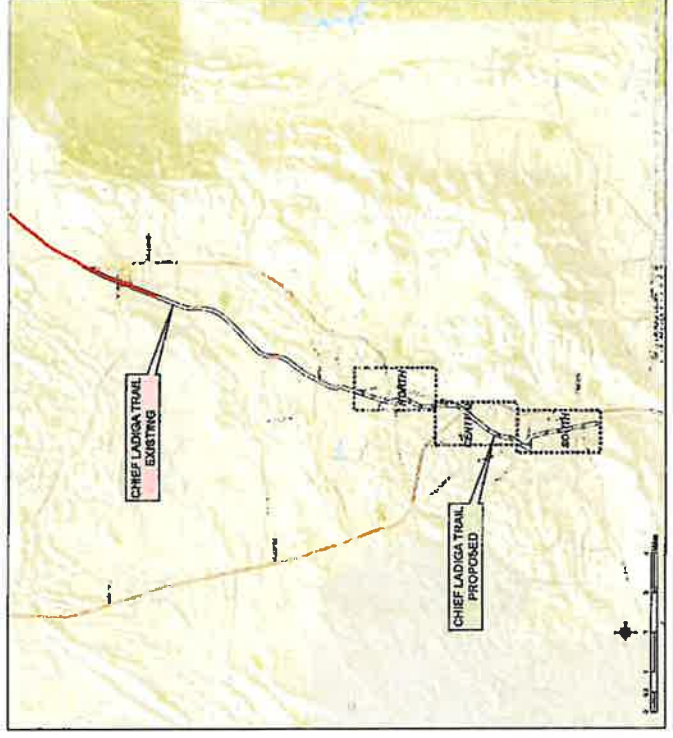
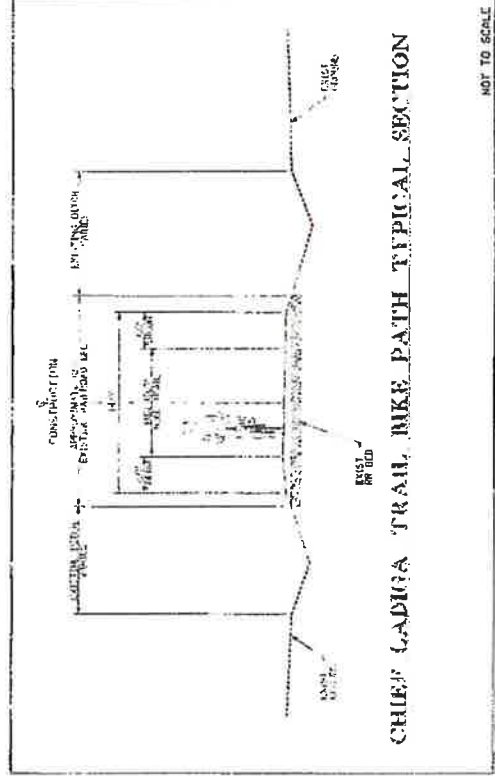
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CHIEF LADIGA TRAIL - PROPOSED EXTENSION

Existing Trail (North Anniston to Georgia Line)



PROPOSED CHIEF LADIGA TRAIL
ANNISTON, ALABAMA

NORTH SECTION

SOUTH SECTION

NORTH SECTION



Near Whisperwood Apartments



View Of Lenlock Lane Bridge



Noah Medders Parkway Bridge



Near Glade Road



View of Cane Creek Trumb

PROPOSED CHIEF LADIGA TRAIL ANNISTON, ALABAMA



CENTRAL SECTION



Stream Culvert Near Norwood Park



Life Tabernacle On Railroad Avenue



Noble Street/Old Gadsden Highway Bridge



Bridge Over Old US Highway 431



Truss Over W 47th St Near Middle School

PROPOSED CHIEF LADIGA TRAIL ANNISTON, ALABAMA



View Of The Multi-Modal Center (Trailhead)



Stream Crossing Near DHR & West 11th Street



Wellness Center Near West 15th Street



South View Near West 18th Street



Near M & H Valve, Inc. On West 23rd Street

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The meeting began at 6:00 PM on February 23, 2016, at the Anniston Hall. The meeting was advertised twice in the *Anniston Star* newspaper in the weeks preceding the meeting, first on February 7 and again on February 21, 2016. Large, easily understood maps were placed strategically around the room and were continually staffed by employee representatives from the City of Anniston, the consultant team, and ALDOT.

Meeting attendees included:

General Citizens: 32

ALDOT Employees: 3

City of Anniston Employees: 2

Consultant Team Employees: 4

Comments are summarized as follows:

Total Comment Sheets: 12

Approve of the project: 10

Disapprove of the project: 1

Undecided: 1

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Name: Danny C. Price
(PLEASE NOTE THAT COMMENT FORMS ARE NOT VALID WITHOUT A NAME)

Address: 4115 Whiteside Dr. Anniston, Alabama 36206

Phone/Email: 256-236-3223 / DCP017@AIM.com

INTEREST IN PROJECT

Area Resident ☒ Local Business Owner ☐

Elected Official ☐ Governmental Representative ☐

OPINION OF PROJECT

APPROVE ☐ DISAPPROVE ☐ NEITHER or UNDECIDED ☒

Comments or Suggestions: How much of the right of way
5. will the trail require? I have my pets
buried and have a garden in part of this
area. Will lights be put up along the
4. trail? I have concerns about safety around the trail.

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To: jrwillburn4593 <jrwillburn4593@bellsouth.net>; scauthen5617 <scauthen5617@gmail.com>; John Shill
(shilljl@aol.com) <shilljl@aol.com>
Subject: FW: Project No.STPOA-NR13(938)
Date: Wed, Feb 24, 2016 9:37 am

-----Original Message-----

From: Jim Roberts [<mailto:jim@multimetco.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2016 9:42 PM
To: Planning
Subject: Project No.STPOA-NR13(938)

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For the record I support this project to extend the Ladiga Trail to the Amtrak station. Anniston has a real chance to become a biking destination, and this will certainly help.

Jim Roberts
Multimetco, Inc
1610 Frank Akers Rd
Anniston, AL 36207

Sent from my iPad

From: Toby Bennington <tbennington@anniston.al.gov>
To: rhodes <rhodes@rhodesllc.com>; jrwilburn4593 <jrwilburn4593@bellsouth.net>; 'stan cauthen' <scauthen5617@gmail.com>; John Shill <shilljl@aol.com>; Sandra Bonner <bonners@dot.state.al.us>
Subject: Fwd: Project STPOA-NR13 (938)
Date: Fri, Feb 26, 2016 12:34 pm

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

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Date: February 26, 2016 at 12:29:10 PM CST
To: Toby Bennington <tbennington@anniston.al.gov>
Subject: FW: Project STPOA-NR13 (938)

From: Jim Allen [mailto:jima@multimetco.com]
Sent: Friday, February 26, 2016 11:27 AM
To: Planning
Subject: Project STPOA-NR13 (938)

City of Anniston:

3 I would like to extend my full support for the recent proposed extension of the Chief Ladiga Trail into the City of Anniston. The trail will be a tremendous asset to the city and will drive additional local and non-local traffic to the downtown area which will help support local businesses as well as lead to new business development opportunities. I truly believe the extension into the city, the amenities that can be offered, and the attractiveness of the length of the entire Ladiga/Silver Comet system will help make the overall trail an even more popular rails-to-trail destination than it is now. Not only will having the trail linked to downtown help attract new visitors, but it will also be an incredible offering for local citizens to use and improve the local quality of life. Both of which will result in new growth opportunities for the city.

5 Further, by coupling the Chief Ladiga Trail and the Coldwater Mountain Bike Trails with the downtown area, Anniston will be able to offer a complete and unique cycling destination package unlike anything else available.

Sincerely,
Jim Allen
Anniston, AL

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Today on AOL

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I attended this meeting thinking I would receive real information : to find this was not a real meeting and only a few pictures were put desk went to pointing out people who were supposed to be holding very disappointed no one was identified as to whom was supposed

These are my questions and and concerns:

Old Mail

1.

1. Why has the people whose property adjoins this project not bee

Drafts

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2. How much is this project going to cost the tax payers.

Sent

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3. What is the return on our investment and how long will it take for

Spam

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4. How many people actually will use this each day.

Recently De...

4.

5. How does the city intend to protect my privacy, is it going to put i already have people that drive 4 wheelers on to my property and ju

Contacts

7.

6. When and how am I to be reimbursed for the property that was a the spur from McClellan over 10 years ago and was told it was part

Calendar

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7. I am an old man and see no benefit that I or any other property o

My Folders

1.

To have only about 20 people attend a meeting and call it a succe people of Anniston has any real input for your project.

Saved Mail

Saved Chats

Sincerely,

Chief Ladi...

L. Frank Allen

Football

COMMENT SHEET

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT MEETING

City of Anniston

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DESCRIPTION: Extension of the Chief Ladiga Trail from its present terminus at Michael Tucker Park in north Anniston along the abandoned Southern Railway facility to Anniston's Multi Modal Transportation Center (Amtrak Station) at Fourth Street in Anniston.

Name: Anna Roberts Allen
(PLEASE NOTE THAT COMMENT FORMS ARE NOT VALID WITHOUT A NAME)

Address: 7 Bristol Place, Anniston, AL 36207

Phone/Email: 256-473-4897 , annajim@me.com

INTEREST IN PROJECT

Area Resident X Local Business Owner _____

Elected Official _____ Governmental Representative _____

OPINION OF PROJECT

APPROVE X DISAPPROVE _____ NEITHER or UNDECIDED _____

Comments or Suggestions: I very much would like to see this
3 project happen. It would be good for the city
and local communities it would go through. I
routinely ride on the trail b/n Weaver and Piedmont
and would love to have ^{the trail} come through Anniston.
6 Another key element would be getting bike service

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Mrs Anna Roberts Allen

on the Amtrak Crescent line in Anniston.

Currently, you cannot load or unload a

Ⓢ bike in Anniston, because there is

no staff / checked luggage. You can take a

- 6 bike from Birmingham to Atlanta, but not on or off in Anniston. This will be especially useful for tourism when the Ladiga Trail goes all the way to the multimodal station and can also enhance access to the Coldwater Mountain bike trails.

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Name: JOSEPH JANKOSKE
(PLEASE NOTE THAT COMMENT FORMS ARE NOT VALID WITHOUT A NAME)

Address: 901 MONTGOMERY AVE ANNISTON 36207

Phone/Email: 631.431.7500 msulaxer27@gmail.com

INTEREST IN PROJECT

Area Resident X Local Business Owner _____

Elected Official _____ Governmental Representative _____

OPINION OF PROJECT

APPROVE X DISAPPROVE _____ NEITHER or UNDECIDED _____

Comments or Suggestions: FOR ANY SUGGESTION THAT THE TRAIL
ROUTE SELECTED IS UNSAFE. MULTIPLE STUDIES HAVE
SHOWN THAT THERE IS NO INCREASE IN CRIME DUE
TO TRAILS, THAT THE INCREASE IN INDIVIDUALS USING
THE TRAIL MAY LEAD TO A DECREASE IN CRIME

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MR JOSEPH JANKOVI

AND THAT TRAILS CAN LEAD TO AN INCREASE IN PROPERTY VALUES. FROM A 1998 STUDY OF 372 EXISTANT RAIL TRAILS:

"THE TRAIL DOES NOT ENCOURAGE CRIME, AND IN FACT PROBABLY
4 DETERS CRIME SINCE THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE, TOURISTS
AND LOCAL CITIZENS USING THE TRAIL FOR MANY
ACTIVITIES AT VARIOUS HOURS OF THE DAY." PAT CONLIN
SHERIFF, GREEN COUNTY, WI.

FROM MY OWN THOUGHTS, WE NEED TO STOP DOING
THINGS BASED ON WHERE WE WERE, OR EVEN WHERE
WE ARE AND INSTEAD ON WHERE WE WANT TO BE.

3 THIS TRAIL CAN BE TRANSFORMATIVE FOR THE
WEST SIDE OF ANNISTON IF WE DO THINGS THE
RIGHT WAY.

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Name: Anne King
(PLEASE NOTE THAT COMMENT FORMS ARE NOT VALID WITHOUT A NAME)

Address: 820 Jefferson Avenue Anniston AL

Phone/Email: gemage@msn.com

INTEREST IN PROJECT

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Elected Official _____ Governmental Representative _____

OPINION OF PROJECT

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Comments or Suggestions: _____

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Name: John M Koors
(PLEASE NOTE THAT COMMENT FORMS ARE NOT VALID WITHOUT A NAME)

Address: 36 Timothy Trace Anniston, AL.

Phone/Email: 256 236 1693 36207

INTEREST IN PROJECT

Area Resident ☒ Local Business Owner ☐

Elected Official ☐ Governmental Representative ☐

OPINION OF PROJECT

APPROVE ☒ DISAPPROVE ☐ NEITHER or UNDECIDED ☐

Comments or Suggestions: Multiple signs at
intervals to remind
6 cyclist to make an audible
signal if they pass
Bested phone #s to call
for assistance on trail, esp.
for flat tires

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Name: Mark Kuehn
(PLEASE NOTE THAT COMMENT FORMS ARE NOT VALID WITHOUT A NAME)

Address: 484 Forever Wild Lane

Phone/Email: 256 - 453 0876 Mark_Kuehn@HMA.HONDA.COM

INTEREST IN PROJECT

Area Resident ☒ Local Business Owner ☐

Elected Official ☐ Governmental Representative ☐

OPINION OF PROJECT

APPROVE ☒ DISAPPROVE ☐ NEITHER or UNDECIDED ☐

Comments or Suggestions: Some things that I believe would help
by keeping the shoulders of the trail cut back
maybe a couple call boxes or even
a patrol. Install a bike tool kit (such as
Rockmart or Cedar twin) at the train station
Public bathrooms.

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Name: Cindy Kuehn

(PLEASE NOTE THAT COMMENT FORMS ARE NOT VALID WITHOUT A NAME)

Address: 484 Forever Wild Ln Oxford, AL 36203

Phone/Email: CHKUEHN1@AOL.COM

INTEREST IN PROJECT

Area Resident X Local Business Owner _____

Elected Official _____ Governmental Representative _____

OPINION OF PROJECT

APPROVE X DISAPPROVE _____ NEITHER or UNDECIDED _____

Comments or Suggestions: (I provided my suggestions to JSU Consulting group which was given to City of Anniston Planning Commissioner) I am in agreement with all proposed plans at this point. (emphasis on safety = priority)

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Northeast Alabama Bicycle Association
P.O. Box 2414
Anniston, AL 36202

February 23, 2016

TO: City of Anniston
Office of Planning and Development Services
PO Box 2168, 1128 Gurnee Avenue
Anniston, Alabama 36202

FROM: Tom Nelson, President of NEABA, and the NEABA Board of Directors

RE: Extension of Chief Ladiga Trail

The Board of Directors of the Northeast Alabama Bicycle Association fully supports the extension of the Ladiga Trail from Michael Tucker Park to Anniston's Multi-modal Transportation Center. This extension is vital for Anniston to realize its full potential as a cycling mecca. It will not only provide the opportunity for Atlanta residents to ride the Silver Comet/Ladiga Trail corridor and return via Amtrak, but the proximity of the new terminus will provide ready access to the Coldwater Mountain Bike Trails.

While NEABA is aware of the concerns of a few citizens with regards to safety, we believe these views are short sighted and uninformed. There are numerous studies and examples of Urban Pathways transforming neighborhoods from the Metropolitan Branch Trail in Washington D.C. to the Morgana Run Trail in Cleveland, Ohio. These Urban Pathways became part of the solution in improvement of blighted neighborhoods. A published study of 372 trails showed converting an abandoned rail corridor actually reduced crime and increased property values. While one may be quick to point out that this occurred in other parts of the country and not Alabama, one need only to look at Birmingham for an example closer to home. From the beginning of the planning stages security was a concern for Railroad Park. The box cars were used by homeless for shelter, drug deals occurred in the area and the feeling amongst many was no respectable person would want to use the park. Now go to Railroad Park on a sunny day and you will find families out pushing strollers, groups of cyclist cruising through, and young adults relaxing and listening to someone playing a guitar. Yes there have been some fights, robberies and even a shooting there, but facts are Railroad Park has a lower rate of crime per person than the suburbs of Homewood, Hoover, Mountain Brook, and Vestavia Hills. I believe this can be summed up by the social definition of the Law of Entropy, "if you are not putting energy into something to make it better, it's going to get worse. Nothing stays the same."

Sincerely,

Tom Nelson

NEABA Officers: Tom Nelson, Bobby Phillips, Darin Sims, Marcus Tillman, Bob Davis, Mark Ramsdell, Amie Hinton, Jeremy Hysell

NEABA Board Members: Chris Nail, Linda Hearn, Ronnie Garrett, Josh Benefield, Jimmie Wetzel, Keith Lyles, Brooke Nelson, Patrick Wigley, Marcus Pettus, Kevin Gray

Urban Pathways to Healthy Neighborhoods

Focus on: Personal Safety

What are Urban Pathways?

Urban pathways go by many names, including bikeways, trails and greenways. These pathways are used for healthy recreation and—when seamlessly interconnected with pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure like sidewalks and bicycle lanes—can be ideal routes for active transportation, including biking and walking.

Part of the Solution

In many urban areas across the country, low-income populations and communities of color face disproportionate challenges of obesity, difficult commutes and scarcity of open space. Promoting the development and use of urban pathways can help address these challenges by integrating physical activity into daily routines, connecting residents with green spaces and providing cost-effective solutions to improving community health.

The Urban Pathways Initiative

Through the generous support of The Kresge Foundation, Rails-to-Trails Conservancy (RTC) launched the Urban Pathways Initiative to advocate for equitable investment in vulnerable communities that promote the health, transportation and environmental benefits of trail use. Learn more at www.railstotrails.org/urbanpathways.



Studies have shown that trails themselves do not generate crime^{1,2}. But in many urban areas, crime and safety are serious, pervasive issues, and even the perception of trail safety may influence trail use³. Addressing concerns about crime and violence is particularly important in low-income urban communities where residents, especially children and women, may not be physically active due to violence or fear of violence⁴. Strategies to increase physical activity on urban pathways need to consider crime and safety because they are broader determinants of health-related behavior.

Since trails are often community focal points, crime on the trail can be perceived differently than crime on the street—it may generate more attention that keeps people away from the trail. The following examples provide a variety of strategies that can be used to deal effectively with crime and safety issues, including: working with police, creating trail patrols, engaging youth, lighting and designing the trail properly, keeping the trail well maintained, and encouraging trail use through programming to increase “eyes on the trail” and to ensure the trail has a reputation as a safe space.

“What came up really early on when we were talking to residents was: ‘[The trail] is not going to be safe. Are we sure it’s going to be safe? How do we keep it safe?’ We were wondering that ourselves, too. What we did was look at other cities and find out their experiences and learned right away that trails in general are safe and that the perception is what we have to work on.”

—MARIE KITTREDGE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SLAVIC VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT
MORGANA RUN TRAIL, CLEVELAND, OHIO



Use programming to provide regular activities on the trail ...

... providing an "eyes on the street (or trail)" effect. Activities and events that invite community participation help introduce more neighborhood residents to the trail and create community ownership. Efforts to abate illegal graffiti and keep the trail well maintained must be frequent and consistent.

Crime may get more attention and media coverage if it occurs on the trail than if it occurs on a nearby street. Be prepared to respond to concerns and create opportunities for trail users and neighborhood residents to be involved in developing solutions, which may include hosting activities or informal meet-ups like walking clubs during high-risk times.

"You have to be patient. Because in the beginning, things will get vandalized a bit and busted up. Keep coming back, keep putting it back. As you keep putting it back, you engage more people and tell them the story so it works its way out to more and more people. Eventually, the actual act of vandalism becomes a spark that excites people to protect a space."

—DORIA ROBINSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, URBAN TILTH
RICHMOND GREENWAY, RICHMOND, CALIF.



See other Urban Pathways to Healthy Neighborhoods issue summaries for program suggestions and examples (FOCUS ON: Promotion and Programs, Art, Gardens)

TAKE A LOOK!

IS IT SAFE?

Crime and Perception of Safety on Urban Pathways

A short film produced by RTC explores the issue of crime and safety on three urban trails in Washington, D.C., Cleveland, Ohio, and Richmond, Calif. Interviews with trail managers, neighborhood residents, trail users and law enforcement provide insight and suggestions for how to defuse and address concerns prior to trail development, and solutions for dealing with crime on existing trails.

For more information, visit www.railstotrails.org/urbanpathways/lessons.

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Metro

Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation Authority

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Los Angeles, CA 90012-2952

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Bicycle Paths: Safety Concerns and Property Values

There are many misconceptions about the safety of bicycle paths/trails and their relationship to property values/the real estate market. Below is a collection of excerpts from various websites, journals and other online resources that provide information on the often misunderstood nature of bicycle paths/trails and their affect on the community.

Safety

Frequently Asked Questions about Bikeways by Adjacent Residents: City of Vancouver, 2007.ⁱ

"Previous studies indicate that property values and crime rates are not affected by bike routes. Cyclists on bike routes, like commuters in cars, are generally headed to a specific destination and are not interested in lingering in neighborhoods. Unlike automobile commuters, cyclists travel at slower speeds and may provide an "eyes on the street" presence in the neighborhood.

Bike Path Phobia: Selling Skeptics on Urban Greenway Bike Paths, Parks & Recreation 2000.ⁱⁱ Tod Schneider

- *"Crime rates are generally based on the rate of crime per 100,000 people, not on geographic area."*
- *"A number of studies have now shown that urban greenway trails do not increase crime and, in fact, are commonly regarded as improvements by adjacent property owners. Comparisons of mugging, assault, rape, and murder make it quite clear that rail-trail crime rates are almost non-existent on a per capita comparison to other areas."*

***Rail-Trails and Safe Communities: The Experience on 372 Trails.** National Park Service Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program, January 1998.ⁱⁱⁱ Tammy Tracy & Hugh Morris.*

- *"Stories of trails attracting drug dealers, murderers and rapists are perpetuated by trail opponents with only a handful of newspaper headlines to back up their assertions rather than empirical research."*
- *"The research that has been conducted, along with anecdotal evidence, suggests that converting an abandoned rail corridor to a trail actually tends to reduce crime by cleaning up the landscape and attracting people who use the trail for recreation and transportation."*
- *"The study found that incidents of vandalism and burglary did not increase as a result of the trail."*

Bicycle Paths: Safety Concerns and Property Values

Public Choices and Property Values: Evidence from Greenways in Indianapolis, Center for Urban Policy and the Environment, December 2003.^{vi}

- "The average price for all homes sold in greenway corridors was nearly 10 percent higher than the average price for all homes. Similarly, the average prices for all homes near greenways with trails and in conservation corridors were higher than the overall average sale price. For homes near the Monon Trail, the average sale price was 11 percent higher than for all homes that sold in 1999."

Economic Impacts of Rivers, Trails and Greenways: Property Values. Resource Guide published by the National Parks Service, 1995.^{vii}

- "A study of property values near greenbelts in Boulder, Colorado, noted that...other variables being equal, the average value of property adjacent to the greenbelt would be 32 percent higher than those 3,200 feet away."
- "A study completed by the Office of Planning in Seattle, Washington, for the 12 mile Burke-Gilman trail was based upon surveys of homeowners and real estate agents. The survey of real estate agents revealed that property near, but not immediately adjacent to the trail, sells for an average of 6 percent more."
- "In a survey of adjacent landowners along the Luce Line rail-trail in Minnesota, 61 percent of the suburban residential owners noted an increase in their property value as a result of the trail. New owners felt the trail had a more positive effect on adjacent property values than did continuing owners. Appraisers and real estate agents claimed that trails were a positive selling point for suburban residential property."
- "A survey of Denver residential neighborhoods by the Rocky Mountain Research Institute shows the public's increasing interest in greenways and trails. From 1980 to 1990, those who said they would pay extra for greenbelts and parks in their neighborhood rose from 16 percent to 48 percent."

Perceptions of How the Presence of Greenway Trails Affects the Value of Proximate Properties. Journal of Park and Recreation Administration, Fall 2001.^{viii} John L. Crompton

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Comment #1: Format of the meeting and public notification

Response: The meeting was an open house meeting as described in Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) Public Involvement Policy. The policy requires the project sponsor to notify the public by way of a local newspaper announcement a minimum of 15 days prior to the meeting. In this case, announcements were made on Sunday, February 7, 2016, and Sunday, February 21, 2016, in the *Anniston Star* newspaper. A total of 32 citizens turned out in bad weather to participate in the meeting. In addition, there were at least 7 representatives from the City of Anniston, the consultant team, and ALDOT at the meeting to answer questions from the public. The representatives manned 8 large display maps located strategically around the room. For easy viewing, there were two sets of 4 displays each, one set located on each side of the room. Each set contained the 7-mile route divided over 3 maps and a depiction of the proposed facility's cross section.

Comment #2: Cost of trail

Response: The estimated cost of the project is approximately \$4.5 million. Of this total, 80 percent is from federal funds and the remaining 20 percent matching funds from state, local, and private donation sources.

Comment #3: Use and benefit from the trail

Response: By providing the citizens with a first-rate facility, its construction is expected to improve the quality of life for the people of Anniston. The trail will give the citizens a recreational facility which they can enjoy and use to improve their health. Because the Chief Ladiga Trail ties into Georgia's Silver Comet Trail, it is expected to bring people from Georgia and throughout the region to Anniston to spend their recreation dollars and thereby boosting local restaurants, motels, service stations and other travel related businesses. The Center for Economic Development and Business Research at Jacksonville State University's College of Commerce and Business Administration performed a study entitled "An Economic and Impact Analysis of Extending the Chief Ladiga Trail into Downtown Anniston." Based on a conservative estimate of usage of

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14,000 per year, the study concluded that the total impact on the economy would be approximately \$1,063,636 per year. With an expected normal annual usage of 20,500, it concluded that the total economic impact would be \$1,557,467, while an optimistic estimate of 38,700 annual users would produce an estimated total economic impact of approximately \$2,940,194. This study used total spending by users, sales tax, income tax, and lodging taxes to calculate these impacts upon the economy.

Comment #4: Safety concerns

Response: Two reports concerning safety on trails are included in the attached comments. These reports indicate that "... urban greenway trails do not increase crime and, in fact, are commonly regarded as improvements by adjacent property owners. Comparisons of mugging, assault, rape, and murder make it quite clear that rail-trail crime rates are almost non-existent on a per capita comparison to other areas."

Comment #5: Amount of right-of-way involved and maintenance

Response: Anniston will own the entire railroad right-of-way. Only an approximately ten-foot-wide pavement will be constructed where the old railroad tracks were. The City of Anniston will be responsible for maintaining the right-of-way.

Comment #6: Operation services (e.g., bike service station, signage, call boxes, patrols)

Response: The trail is expected to be maintained much like the existing trail. The City of Anniston will respond to needed services along the route as deemed appropriate within budget constraints.

Comment #7: Acquisition of property

Response: The governmental agencies involved with this project will abide by the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA's) Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970.



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, MOBILE DISTRICT
600 VESTAVIA PARKWAY, SUITE 203
VESTAVIA HILLS, AL 35216

September 7, 2022

North Branch
Regulatory Division

SUBJECT: Department of the Army Jurisdictional Determination, File Number SAM-2022-00865-LET, City of Anniston-Michael Tucker Park bathroom reconstruction, Calhoun County, Alabama

City of Anniston
% Byard Consulting, LLC
Attention: Ms. Sara Byard
103 North Memorial Drive #216
Prattville, Alabama 36067

Transmitted electronically to sara@byardconsulting.com

Dear Ms. Byard:

This is in response to your August 29, 2022, letter, on behalf of the City of Anniston, requesting Department of Army (DA), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) review of a proposed Recreational Trails Program grant project consisting of demolition and reconstruction in-place of the bathrooms at Michael Tucker Park. Specifically, the project review area consists of approximately 0.11-acre of land within the park property located at 6514 Weaver Road, Latitude N 33.737996, Longitude W 85.818587 in Anniston, Calhoun County, Alabama. This project has been assigned file number SAM-2022-00865-LET, which should be referred to in all future correspondence regarding this site.

Based on our review of the information you provided and other publicly available mapping resources, we have determined the approximately 0.11-acre land area on which the proposed bathroom demolition and reconstruction activities will occur consists of non-jurisdictional dry land or upland areas that do not contain federally regulated wetlands or other "waters of the United States (U.S.)"

The proposed work described above was reviewed pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, which requires that a DA permit be obtained for the placement or discharge of dredged and/or fill material into "waters of the United States", including wetlands, prior to conducting the work (33 U.S.C. 1344). For regulatory purposes, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) defines wetlands as those areas that are inundated or saturated by surface or groundwater at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions.

This letter contains an approved jurisdictional determination (JD) for the identified development site as specified above. If you object to this determination, you may request an administrative appeal under USACE Regulations at 33 CFR Part 331. Attached you will find a Notification of Appeal Process (NAP) fact sheet and Request for Appeal (RFA) form. If you request to appeal this determination you must submit a completed RFA form to the USACE, South Atlantic Division Office at the following address:

Mr. Philip A. Shannin
Administrative Appeal Review Officer
CESAD-PDS-O
60 Forsyth Street Southwest, Floor M9
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8803
Telephone: (404) 562-5136, Fax: (404) 562-5138
Email: philip.a.shannin@usace.army.mil

In order for an RFA to be accepted by the USACE, the USACE must determine that it is complete, that it meets the criteria for appeal under 33 CFR Part 331.5, and that it has been received by the Division Office within 60 days of the date of the NAP. Should you decide to submit an RFA form, it must be received at the above address **by November 7, 2022**. It is not necessary to submit an RFA form to the Division Office if you do not object to the determination in this letter.

This approved JD is based on current policy and regulation and is valid for a period of five years from the date of this letter. If by the end of the five-year period the proposed work has not been implemented and this JD has not been specifically revalidated by the USACE, it shall automatically expire.

The statements contained herein do not convey any property rights or any exclusive privileges, and do not authorize any injury to property nor shall it be construed as excusing you from compliance with other Federal, State, or local statutes, ordinances, or regulations that may affect proposed work at this site. Furthermore, the determination included herein has been conducted to identify the location and extent of the aquatic resource boundaries and/or the jurisdictional status of aquatic resources for purposes of the Clean Water Act for the particular site identified in this request. This delineation and/or jurisdictional determination may not be valid for the Wetland Conservation Provisions of the Food Security Act of 1985, as amended. If you or your tenant are U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) program participants, or anticipate participation in USDA programs, you should discuss the applicability of a certified wetland determination with the local USDA service center, prior to starting work.

If you intend to sell property that is part of a project that requires DA authorization, it may be subject to the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act. The Property Report, required by Housing and Urban Development Regulation, must state whether or not a permit for the development has been applied for, issued or denied by the USACE, (Part 320.3(h) of Title 33 of the Code of Federal Regulations).

Based on our findings regarding the proposed project site, a DA permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act will **not be required** to implement the project as proposed. If the location or scope of work changes, you are urged to contact this office for a verification of this determination.

You may contact me at (205) 824-2740 (desk), (205) 213-9623 (cell) or at leslie.e.turney@usace.army.mil, if you have questions concerning this matter. For additional information about our Regulatory Program, visit our website at www.sam.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory.aspx. Also, while you are there, please take a moment to complete our regulatory customer survey located on the right side of the webpage. Your responses are appreciated and will help us improve our services.

Sincerely,

Leslie E.
Turney

Digitally signed by
Leslie E. Turney
Date: 2022.09.07
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Leslie E. Turney
Chief, North Branch

Enclosures

NOTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL OPTIONS AND PROCESS AND REQUEST FOR APPEAL

Applicant: City of Anniston		File Number: SAM-2022-00865-LET	Date: 09/07/2022
Attached is:			See Section below
	INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT (Standard Permit or Letter of permission)	A	
	PROFFERED PERMIT (Standard Permit or Letter of permission)	B	
	PERMIT DENIAL	C	
XX	APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION	D	
	PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION	E	

SECTION I - The following identifies your rights and options regarding an administrative appeal of the above decision. Additional information may be found at http://www.usace.army.mil/CECW/Pages/reg_materials.aspx or Corps regulations at 33 CFR Part 331.

A: INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT: You may accept or object to the permit.

- **ACCEPT:** If you received a Standard Permit, you may sign the permit document and return it to the district engineer for final authorization. If you received a Letter of Permission (LOP), you may accept the LOP and your work is authorized. Your signature on the Standard Permit or acceptance of the LOP means that you accept the permit in its entirety, and waive all rights to appeal the permit, including its terms and conditions, and approved jurisdictional determinations associated with the permit.
- **OBJECT:** If you object to the permit (Standard or LOP) because of certain terms and conditions therein, you may request that the permit be modified accordingly. You must complete Section II of this form and return the form to the district engineer. Your objections must be received by the district engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice, or you will forfeit your right to appeal the permit in the future. Upon receipt of your letter, the district engineer will evaluate your objections and may: (a) modify the permit to address all of your concerns, (b) modify the permit to address some of your objections, or (c) not modify the permit having determined that the permit should be issued as previously written. After evaluating your objections, the district engineer will send you a proffered permit for your reconsideration, as indicated in Section B below.

B: PROFFERED PERMIT: You may accept or appeal the permit

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- **APPEAL:** If you choose to decline the proffered permit (Standard or LOP) because of certain terms and conditions therein, you may appeal the declined permit under the Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeal Process by completing Section II of this form and sending the form to the division engineer. This form must be received by the division engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice.

C: PERMIT DENIAL: You may appeal the denial of a permit under the Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeal Process by completing Section II of this form and sending the form to the division engineer. This form must be received by the division engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice.

D: APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION: You may accept or appeal the approved JD or provide new information.

- **ACCEPT:** You do not need to notify the Corps to accept an approved JD. Failure to notify the Corps within 60 days of the date of this notice means that you accept the approved JD in its entirety, and waive all rights to appeal the approved JD.
- **APPEAL:** If you disagree with the approved JD, you may appeal the approved JD under the Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeal Process by completing Section II of this form and sending the form to the division engineer. This form must be received by the division engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice.

E: PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION: You do not need to respond to the Corps regarding the preliminary JD. The Preliminary JD is not appealable. If you wish, you may request an approved JD (which may be appealed), by contacting the Corps district for further instruction. Also you may provide new information for further consideration by the Corps to reevaluate the JD.

SECTION II - REQUEST FOR APPEAL or OBJECTIONS TO AN INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT

REASONS FOR APPEAL OR OBJECTIONS: (Describe your reasons for appealing the decision or your objections to an initial proffered permit in clear concise statements. You may attach additional information to this form to clarify where your reasons or objections are addressed in the administrative record.)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The appeal is limited to a review of the administrative record, the Corps memorandum for the record of the appeal conference or meeting, and any supplemental information that the review officer has determined is needed to clarify the administrative record. Neither the appellant nor the Corps may add new information or analyses to the record. However, you may provide additional information to clarify the location of information that is already in the administrative record.

POINT OF CONTACT FOR QUESTIONS OR INFORMATION:

If you have questions regarding this decision and/or the appeal process you may contact:

Ms. Leslie E. Turney
CESAM-RD-N
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
600 VESTAVIA PARKWAY, SUITE 203
VESTAVIA HILLS, ALABAMA 35216
Office: (205) 824-2740, Mobile: (205) 213-9623
Leslie.E.Turney@usace.army.mil

If you only have questions regarding the appeal process you may also contact:

Philip A. Shannin
Administrative Appeal Review Officer
CESAD-PDS-O
60 Forsyth Street Southwest, Floor M9
Atlanta, GA 30303-8803
404-562-5136; Philip.A.Shannin@usace.army.mil

RIGHT OF ENTRY: Your signature below grants the right of entry to Corps of Engineers personnel, and any government consultants, to conduct investigations of the project site during the course of the appeal process. You will be provided a 15 day notice of any site investigation, and will have the opportunity to participate in all site investigations.

<hr/> Signature of appellant or agent.	Date:	Telephone number:
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DRY LAND APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM¹
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

This form should be completed by following the instructions provided in Section IV of the JD Form Instructional Guidebook.

SECTION I: BACKGROUND INFORMATION

A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (JD): September 7, 2022

B. DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER: CESAM-RD-N, City of Anniston- bathroom replacement at Michael Tucker Park, SAM-2022-00865-LET

C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Approximately 0.11-acre land area including and surrounding existing restrooms at Michael Tucker Park, 6514 Weaver Road, Anniston, AL

State: Alabama County/parish/borough: Calhoun City: Anniston / Weaver
Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): Lat. 33.737996 °, Long. -85.818587°
Universal Transverse Mercator: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Name of nearest waterbody: Cave Creek

Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): 031501060407 Upper Cane Creek

- ☒ Check if map/diagram of review area is available upon request.
☐ Check if other sites (e.g., offsite mitigation sites, disposal sites, etc...) are associated with this action and are recorded on a different JD form.

D. REVIEW PERFORMED FOR SITE EVALUATION (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):

- ☒ Office (Desk) Determination. Date: September 2, 2022
☐ Field Determination. Date(s): [Click here to enter a date.](#)

SECTION II: SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

A. RHA SECTION 10 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.

There are **no** "navigable waters of the U.S." within Rivers and Harbors Act (RHA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 329) in the review area.

B. CWA SECTION 404 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.

There are **no** "waters of the U.S." within Clean Water Act (CWA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 328) in the review area.

SECTION III: DATA SOURCES.

A. SUPPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for JD (check all that apply - checked items shall be included in case file and, where checked and requested, appropriately reference sources below):

- ☒ Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant: Maps and work plans submitted by Byard Consulting, LLC on behalf of the City of Anniston for ADECA Recreational Trail Program Grant app review, received by USACE August 29, 2022.
☐ Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant.
☐ Office concurs with data sheets/delineation report.
☐ Office does not concur with data sheets/delineation report.
☐ Data sheets prepared by the Corps: [Click here to enter text.](#)
☒ U.S. Geological Survey Hydrologic Atlas: <https://apps.nationalmap.gov/viewer/>
☐ USGS NHD data.
☒ USGS 8 and 12 digit HUC maps.
☒ U.S. Geological Survey map(s). Cite scale & quad name: 1:24,000 Anniston, AL
☒ USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey. Citation: Soil Survey Staff, Natural Resources Conservation Service, United States Department of Agriculture. Web Soil Survey. Calhoun County, AL, Version 16, Sept. 15, 2021; Available online at the following link: <http://websoilsurvey.sc.egov.usda.gov/>
☒ National wetlands inventory map(s). Cite name: downloaded from <https://www.fws.gov/wetlands/Data/Mapper.html>
☐ State/Local wetland inventory map(s): [Click here to enter text.](#)
☒ FEMA/FIRM maps: FEMA National Flood Hazard Layer (NFHL) Viewer, City of Anniston Map No. 01015C0302E, Effective March 16, 2016: <https://msc.fema.gov/portal/search>
☐ 100-year Floodplain Elevation is: [Click here to enter text.](#) (National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929)
☒ Photographs: ☒ Aerial (Name & Date): 1997, 2004, 2012, 2015, and 2021 aerial photos downloaded from Google Earth
☐ or ☐ Other (Name & Date):
☐ Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter: [Click here to enter text.](#)
☐ Applicable/supporting case law: [Click here to enter text.](#)
☐ Applicable/supporting scientific literature: [Click here to enter text.](#)
☐ Other information (please specify): [Click here to enter text.](#)

¹ This form is for use only in recording approved JDs involving dry land. It extracts the relevant elements of the longer approved JD form in use since 2007 for aquatic areas and adds no new fields.

B. REQUIRED ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD. EXPLAIN RATIONALE FOR DETERMINATION THAT THE REVIEW AREA ONLY INCLUDES DRY LAND: Based on review of available desktop resources including Web Soil Survey mapping, topographic mapping, and historic aerial photography, the review area consists of approximately 0.11-acres of existing developed upland/non-wetlands, dry lands within Michael Tucker Park. Aerial a photography review and project description shows the area that would be impacted by the proposed bathroom demolition and reconstruction is existing developed and maintained upland land. The review area lacks any wetlands, tributaries, or drainage features.

Byard Consulting, LLC

August 29, 2022

Mobile District Corps of Engineers

Chief, Regulatory Branch
US Army Corps of Engineers
Post Office Box 2288
Mobile, Alabama 36628-0001

VIA EMAIL: CESAM-RD@sam.usace.army.mil

Re: RTP Grant Application
Request for Concurrence with Project

Dear Sir or Madam,

The City of Anniston is proposing to demolish the existing restroom building and construct a new one in the same location at Mike Tucker Park is applying for grant funds from ADECA's Recreational Trails Program (RTP). I am requesting review and approval/concurrence with the proposed project.

I have attached a site plan and location map. Mike Tucker Park is located at 6514 Weaver Road, Anniston, AL 36206. The coordinates for the center of the park are: 33.738107 N, -85.818260 W. Please let me know if additional permits or reviews are required.

I am happy to provide or gather any additional information that you require.

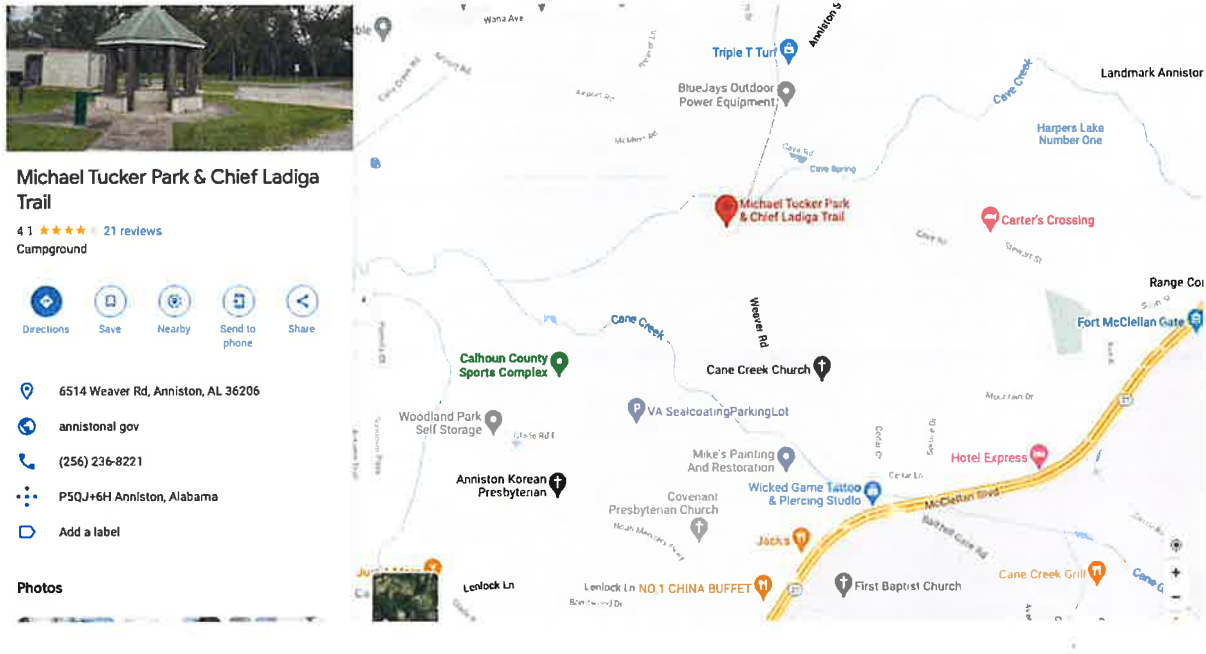
Thank you,



Sara Byard

City of Anniston, 2022 RTP Grant
Mike Tucker Park
Proposed Restroom Demolition and Reconstruction

Project Location





Dr. Micheal Tucker Park

Challenge Course

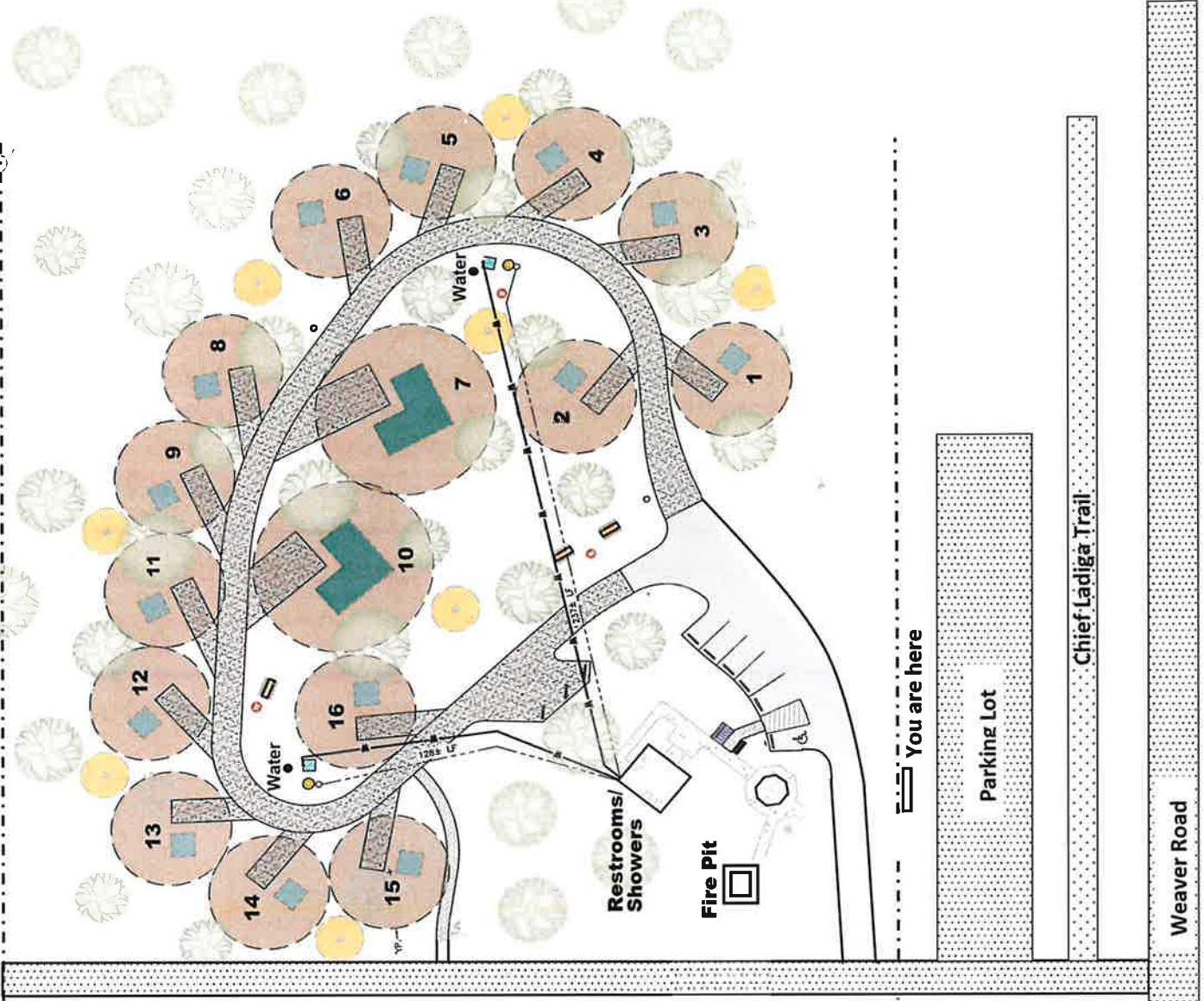


Lodge



Building

Access Road



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Bathroom demolition and reconstruction project area (~0.11-ac)

Legend

- Chief Ladiga Trail Head in Weaver, AL
- Mike Tucker Park restrooms

Holley Farm Rd

Mike Tucker Park restrooms

Chief Ladiga Trail Head in Weaver, AL

Google Earth

100 ft



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August 25, 2022

US Fish and Wildlife Service
Mr. Bill Pearson
Field Supervisor
US Fish and Wildlife Service
1208-B Main Street
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Sara Byard



U S Fish and Wildlife Service
1208-B Main Street – Daphne, Alabama 36526
Phone: 251-441-5181 Fax: 251-441-6222

No federally listed species/critical habitat are known to occur in the project area. As described, the project will have no significant impact on fish and wildlife resources. IF PROJECT DESIGN CHANGES ARE MADE, PLEASE SUBMIT NEW PLANS FOR REVIEW. We recommend use of best management practices specific to your project (See <http://www.fws.gov/daphne/section7/bmp.html>).


William Pearson, Field Supervisor
Field Supervisor
Alabama Ecological Services Field Office

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**City of Anniston, 2022 RTP Grant
Mike Tucker Park
Proposed Restroom Demolition and Reconstruction**

Project Location

